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INQUIRY INTO MUSIC FESTIVAL LICENSING REGULATIONS

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The Upper House's Regulation Committee has commenced an inquiry into the Liquor Amendment (Music Festivals) Regulation 2019 and the Gaming and Liquor Administration Amendment (Music Festivals) Regulation 2019.

The Committee Chair, the Hon Mick Veitch, said, 'This inquiry will examine the impact and the implementation of the NSW Government's music festival licensing regulations.'

Mr Veitch explained, 'The Liquor Amendment (Music Festivals) Regulation 2019 provides for a new type of liquor licence for music festivals and provide for the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority (ILGA) to direct particular applicants to apply for a music festival licence. The regulation also sets out the training requirements of licensees, managers, approved agents and supervisors for licensed premises under a music festival licence. The Gaming and Liquor Administration Amendment (Music Festivals) Regulation 2019 stipulates that particular decisions of the ILGA in relation to music festival licences are not subject to review by the Civil and Administrative Tribunal of New South Wales.'

Mr Veitch continued, 'This inquiry is an opportunity for the committee to consult with festival industry representatives to discuss the regulations and how they impact on the music industry in New South Wales'.

'The committee encourages all interested individuals, groups and organisations to take part in the inquiry. In particular, we would like to hear from any stakeholders affected by the regulations,' Mr Veitch said.

The committee is currently accepting submissions and the closing date is 5 July 2019. Further information about the inquiry, including how to make a submission and the inquiry's terms of reference, can be found on the committee's website at www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/regulationcommittee, or by contacting the committee secretariat on (02) 9230 3307.

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