

**Submission
No 110**

**INQUIRY INTO THE MUSIC AND ARTS ECONOMY IN
NEW SOUTH WALES**

Name: Mr Declan Kelly
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To whom this may concern,

I am writing to you as a professional musician of 30+ in the industry and have slowly seen the economy deteriorate with all the negative changes to the nightlife of Sydney, over bearing rules and regulations with Hotels, Bars and clubs that were once thriving with business and entertainment.

NSW seems to be the joke of the country as far as the other states in regards to the industry even to the point where touring bands sometimes avoid performing here as it is usually met with high fees for venues and zero support.

To put it plainly, I love this city that I was born and raised in and would like to see the entertainment industry and nightlife become thriving once again and known around the world for its vibrancy and not regarded as a sleepy boring city that shuts down after 12am.

Please consider a safe and vibrant music economy for NSW as it is mine and thousands of others' livelihoods.

Yours sincerely Declan Kelly