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**INQUIRY INTO LIQUOR AMENDMENT (MUSIC
FESTIVALS) REGULATION 2019 AND GAMING AND
LIQUOR ADMINISTRATION AMENDMENT (MUSIC
FESTIVALS) REGULATION 2019**

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As a musician for over 30 years in NSW & along the east coast of Australia, i feel the need for better reform in this live music scene in our state, 2 areas of my main concern are the excessive abuse of police strip search powers being increased at these festivals now & the high licensing fees imposed, I have no idea why you think an increase in fees is going to achieve anything of any value other than revenue for your govt & the strip searches are just one of the largest single violations of peoples dignity & civil liberties we have seen in this state, i have spoken to so many who have been humiliated by this & your police policy of then refusing entry when no drugs are found & now the conversations around these festivals prior to them starting is the large amount who now just prefer to stay away, your effects of this ridiculous stripping of young people is clearly evident in the added mental health problems it causes & the feeling of complete unjust when then evicted after being completely embarrassed & degraded, & every person i spoke to & i can honestly say its reaching past the 200 mark, now declare they will just take their drugs in a more dangerous manner & load them up & your efforts to use this unjustified tactic to be a deterrant is one of NSW police's greatest failures to date...