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Jon Foote

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Dear Sir/Madam,

My wife and I are extremely concerned at recent news that the Government's STRA inquiry is recommending to Government: (1) that short term rentals, such as that lobbied for by AirBnB, be allowed in strata buildings in NSW and, (2) that Owners' Corporations be denied the right, as currently exists through the use of by-laws, to prohibit short term rentals in their buildings.

We have experienced short term/holiday rentals in an adjoining apartment (in another building) in the past, with what can only be described as horrendous impact upon the peaceful use and amenity of our apartment due to inconsiderate noise, the accumulation of garbage waste, and the use of drugs, in that adjoining apartment, and consequently we vowed NEVER to buy into or live in such a building again.

The forced approval of short term rentals in close-accommodation apartment buildings where the majority of owners, speaking through their owners' corporation, do not wish to have such rentals would be a grave injustice against the principles of home ownership and against the right of peaceful occupation of one's home, and would be against the interests of the vast majority of home owners and voters throughout NSW, and in the interests only of a few.

Frankly, I cannot understand why the removal of such a fundamental existing right as the right of an owners' corporation acting in the interests of a majority of its members to veto STL in its building is even on the table.

We would find it very difficult in the future to support a government that promoted or introduced such a change.

**Please do not allow this recommendation of the STRA inquiry in favour of short term rentals in strata buildings to be implemented, without the right of an over-riding veto power by owners' corporations being included.**

Sincerely,

Malcolm & Cheryl McKellar

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Jordana Martin

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To maximise participation in the sharing economy, any regulations should be clear and easy to understand and comply with, and also cost effective for hosts.

I encourage the NSW Government to follow the lead of South Australia and Tasmania, as well as other cities around the world, which have embraced home sharing and are reaping the rewards. It supports local business and retains the personal right and freedom of the owner to invite guest to their home.

Julia nihill

Dear NSW Government,

As a guest who has travelled to NSW using the Airbnb platform multiple times in the past 12 months, I strongly believe in the right of people to share their houses and apartments. I absolutely embrace my responsibilities as a guest to treat hosts' homes in a responsible and respectful way, and I know that Airbnb's review system keeps hosts and guests accountable for their travelling behaviours. I have been travelling with Airbnb for several years and find that it affords great interactions with locals and 'home comforts' that standard accommodations (hotels, motels and self-contained apartments) simply don't. It is also much better value for money and as a single parent, my kids and I have been able to have holidays that we otherwise wouldn't if using other types of places to stay. I also think that it's not the government's business to regulate something that seems to me as a user already to be well regulated, if private individuals wish to rent out some or all of their home, they should be able to do so.

Extreme regulations, and red tape like caps and costly registration processes could severely affect my ability to travel using Airbnb and restrict my choices as a traveller. Please accept this as a formal submission to the Options Paper.

Why do I travel to NSW using Airbnb?

Local hosts make valuable recommendations of their favourite cafes, restaurants and shops so that small businesses get a boost from local tourism, with a ripple effect of supporting jobs in these communities. I often host friends and family here where I live in Canberra (not through AirBnB), and I really appreciate being able to get great tips from kind locals when I travel via AirBnB. I think it's also good for our international tourism by creating people-to-people links.

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I encourage the NSW Government to follow the lead of South Australia and Tasmania, as well as other cities around the world, which have embraced home sharing and are reaping the rewards.

My family and I have had some fantastic experiences through AirBnB, and we really support making it easy for individual property owners to travel and host on it.

Leanne Gundry

2115

Dear NSW Government,

I travelled to NSW using the Airbnb platform last month and loved the experience. I was on my own, so the personal experience of meeting the host and another guest made my trip much more enjoyable. My host told me places to go and helped the experience enormously. I think I would hesitate to plan a trip if it was not possible to stay in an Airbnb home. Staying in a hotel is much too impersonal, and others I have met agree with me. One lady I met had taken 12 months off work to travel the world and she was staying only in Airbnbs!

absolutely embrace my responsibilities as a guest to treat hosts' homes in a responsible and respectful way, and I know that Airbnb's review system keeps hosts and guests accountable for their travelling behaviours.

I think that regulations, and red tape, particularly if they affected the cost of my stays, would affect my choices of where to go. Please accept this as a formal submission to the Options Paper.

I agree with Airbnb and strongly support the following:

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Carole Pinnock

2116

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Extreme regulations, and red tape like caps and costly registration processes could severely affect my ability to travel using Airbnb and restrict my choices as a traveller. Please accept this as a formal submission to the Options Paper.

Why do I travel to NSW using Airbnb?

It's cost effective, friendly and you have more than a couple of rooms to move in. We usually use it to break a long drive, as we are a retired couple. The host is always there to greet us. Motels are now too expensive, often smelling of tobacco, and you can't make breakfast there.

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Sue Scott

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I also travel with my pet which most hotels do not allow.

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Venu Prabhakar

2118

Dear NSW Government,

We strongly believe that airB&B helps families make extra money as well as bring more tourists into small towns creating extra cash flow for businesses. It should not have extra costs & fees as the government are already making tax on the extra income earned.

Debbie Gordon

2119

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I also have a young baby and find it more comfortable to stay in an air bnb than in a hotel.

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Tegan Nerby

2120

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I would not travel anywhere near as often, or spend my money in these locations without the Airbnb option.

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Francesca Seith

2121

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Daniel Mathers

2122

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Ultimately what I support is progressive government that embraces the advancement of 21st century tech-innovation. I won't support backward governance or non-visionary leadership in government or in business.

Lisa Norman

2123

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Georgia Page

2124

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Why is this government trying to screw up a workable system?

Leave AIRBNB allows.

Edwin Storey

2125

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2126

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Why do I travel to NSW using Airbnb?

As a family air bnb means we have access to suitable accommodation at a reasonable price. Reviews can be trusted about the area etc.

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Elizabeth Clarke

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Joanne Evans

2128

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Airbnb provides affordable travel and accommodation options that I otherwise would not utilise to travel to locations such as Coffs Harbour. The injection of my trip to the local economy of the area is directly to small businesses other than the Airbnb accommodation. Restricting access to Airbnb limits added income to local areas, prevents business completion to provide better and more affordable services, and limits the variety of choice to the consumer

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L Lanzi

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I would like to add, that without Air b'n b I wouldn't have been able to afford to visit Australia. I had a wonderful trip to Sydney, met many interesting and friendly people and have returned to England and been telling everyone how great it is. I think this only encourages tourism to Australia. I am already planning a second visit and would use Air b'n'b. Living in London, UK I do understand that governments need to protect their citizen's especially when it comes to rent prices. In the UK properties can only be rented out via air bnb for certain periods of time during the year to avoid a heavy affect on the rental market. I am sure there are ways to encourage Australian tourism hand in hand with Air bnb. It really helps create a global network and keep good positive connections on the planet.

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I also was an Airbnb host for a time which helped me significantly to supplement my income, particularly as I live in a regional area with high unemployment.

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Di Brown

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Thanks for your time.

Angela Meyer

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Robyn Bowman

2141

Dear NSW Government,

I support the right for people to share their houses and apartments. However, I believe house sharing websites also needs to make hosts more accountable for guest behaviour so as not to negatively impact long term residents and the surrounding area.

I do not support costly registration processes, but I'd consider supporting a limit to the number of sharing properties in any particular locale. Please accept this as a formal submission to the Options Paper.

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Brendan Mays

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Dear NSW Government,

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Why do I travel to NSW using Airbnb?

A home is so much nicer than a hotel - I spend a lot of time staying at hotels in my role as a Tour Guide, but any time I have the choice I will stay at an Airbnb. The personal touch, the flexibility. Travelling with family is much easier too when staying at Airbnb. The variety is superior, you can always find something that suits. Airbnb is no different to hiring a holiday house through a real estate agent - except the owner usually keep a lot better tab on their guests than an agent would. Local hosts make valuable recommendations of their favourite cafes, restaurants and shops so that small businesses get a boost from local tourism, with a ripple effect of supporting jobs in these communities.

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I encourage the NSW Government to follow the lead of South Australia and Tasmania, as well as other cities around the world, which have embraced home sharing and are reaping the rewards with increased tourism and additional revenue for the state. Reality is that NSW and especially Sydney are struggling to keep up with demand. Not enough hotels are available, so blocking Airbnb would be detrimental to Tourism. As it would in effect mean turning away guests, who wants to spend time and money in Sydney!

Best Regards

Tour Guide, Inbound Destination Management Agent, and avid Airbnb Super Host and Traveller.

Jytte Ranjel

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I visited Sydney and stayed in a lovely apartment for 10 nights using the Airbnb platform in the past 12 months, I strongly believe in the right of people to share their houses and apartments . I absolutely embrace my responsibilities as a guest to treat hosts' homes in a responsible and respectful way, and I know that Airbnb's review system keeps hosts and guests accountable for their travelling behaviours.

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Sean Murphy

2145

Dear NSW Government,

The reality is that Airbnb has expanded the market we have seen a 300% increase in turnover. The knock on effect is we hire a cleaner who spends that back into the community  
Airbnb advertises properties worldwide and the money people pay goes directly into local communities. It is simply impossible for home owners to afford the costs of what Airbnb do individually.

A lot of the properties being let on Airbnb particularly those in holiday towns were more than likely being rented through estate agents.

I can rent the property out myself, agents can do it, lawyers can do it what's the difference if Airbnb do it.

For our smaller holiday towns Airbnb has been a godsend

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In addition, if it were not for the Airbnbs I have been able to utilise I would have to stay on the road and drive straight through from the Gold Coast to Sydney potentially putting mine and others lives at risk due to tiredness. The cost of staying at a motel instead of an Airbnb is too expensive so this is the best option. I am not the only one making this trip on a semi regular basis so please consider your options carefully. If you genuinely want to keep the road toll down leave us travellers with this option to stay somewhere affordable.

Rhonda Phillips

2148

Dear NSW Government,

As a guest who has travelled to NSW using the Airbnb platform in the past 12 months, I strongly believe in the right of people to share their houses and apartments. We stayed in Petersham in September 2017 and had an amazing time enjoying the local community, riding the train, shopping and dining at local establishments.

I absolutely embrace my responsibilities as a guest to treat hosts' homes in a responsible and respectful way, and I know that Airbnb's review system keeps hosts and guests accountable for their travelling behaviours.

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Brett Drew

2150

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Leonie Ramondt

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Airbnb choices mean I'm able to choose accommodation that specifically meets my needs and those of my family. I can select locations adjacent to family members and this has proven particularly important in visits over the past few years to support my daughter, who is studying and working in Sydney, during times of illness. Commercial establishments, on the other hand, are extremely limited in terms of location and accommodation options.

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The STHL sector has contributed significantly to the tourism sector and tourist economy in recent years, buoyed by the growth of the 'sharing economy' and its innovative platforms.

STHL has a longstanding history in Australia since the 1900s and these platforms have simply made the process more efficient and transparent. As a result, they have allowed Australian families to supplement their household income while attracting tourists from all over the world to New South Wales and creating 40,823 Full-time jobs for Australians. Half of these fall within the regional economy where accommodation options have traditionally been limited. These platforms should be encouraged and facilitated as part of the government's innovation agenda – not undermined.

I am concerned that heavy handed or punitive measures such as new taxes, draconian limits on how long a family can lend their home, mandatory development consent or a licensing regime telling Australians what they can or can't do with their own home will only hurt the sector, cost jobs and harm businesses while driving tourists to other states and impinging upon private property rights.

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I believe that preventing the lending of secondary homes is also undesirable. When this measure was introduced in Berlin, Germany, it led to a sharp drop in available STHL accommodation, a reduction in government income tax revenue as well as a significant increase in the prices of available accommodation – taking money out of visitors' pockets which could be spent on local businesses. Such a reform would especially wreak havoc in our tourism-dependent regional economy.

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To whom it may concern,

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These imported staff, need some suitable & affordable accommodation for their tenure, which generally ranges between 1 to 6 weeks. The accommodation type I provide are 1 bedroom fully furnished units, including the supply of all utilities, with all linen & towels provided, with full size kitchen including most kitchen paraphernalia used to cook in the unit. The units have four clearly defined rooms, Kitchen, Lounge, Bedroom and Bathroom. They are very suitable for a residential stay. I promote them as "bring your luggage & your breakfast, everything else is provided" This is perfect for fly-in/fly-out or drive-in/drive-out locums & professionals.

In Albury, the minimum residential fully furnished lease is 3 months, without utilities, therefore this style of accommodation would be unsuitable for a 1 to 6 week stay.

Motels are not meant for this length of stay, they are designed for a much shorter stay. Motels generally do not allow cooking in the units, motels usually have a microwave to warm food, not cook, therefore if staying in a one room motel these locums will have to go out every day/night to buy their meals. This would clearly be unsuitable for an extended stay 1 to 6 weeks.

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So long before Stayz & AirBnb were invented, there has always been a need for short term accommodation in Albury.

It is very important that any new legislation does not harm either the businesses supplying short term accommodation or, most importantly, the businesses using this type of accommodation; it seems to be going OK without any further regulation or permitting etc.

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