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From: Scott Moorhead <scott@fischer.com.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 1 August 2018 10:18 AM
To: SSA
Subject: Submission: Inquiry into Short Stay Accommodation in Tasmania.

Dear Secretary,

Please accept this as a formal submission to the Inquiry into Short Stay Accommodation in Tasmania.

I want to reiterate my support for Tasmania's current home sharing laws.

I host with Airbnb in a regional part of Tasmania - one that relies on tourists, like my guests, to keep the local community employed.

I hate to think what would happen to the town and others like it across Tasmania if the effort required to provide houses as temporary accommodation became more restrictive.

A lot of hosts do so to make a few extra dollars out of their own holiday home, but don't do much more than break even in the process. Adding costs and restrictions may just convince them to withdraw their house from rental. ...leaving it empty for many months of the year, neither enticing tourists and tourist dollars to the communities that rely on it or adding additional housing to the sector.

Please don't make it harder or more expensive for people wanting to provide positive tourism experiences (and the associated benefits to the community) in regional Tassie.

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