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As musicians trying to survive, we need you to assist venues to employ us.

Tax breaks for venues with entertainment budgets over \$100 000 (You'll make the money back in alcohol taxes, everybody wins)

Convince decision makers, regarding pokies,

to make pamphlets promoting live music alternatives, and compulsorily display them at coffee machines, on bar, in rest rooms.

DJ venues, must be live, at least two nights a week. DJ's cost more than a band, and tend to draw more ruff raff (Plus they don't drink, get live punters IN there, everybody wins).

Shut down laws.

Localise the restrictions to problem venues, allowing better behaved live venues to continue floating the economy.

I hope these basic ideas are helpful.

Thank you for this opportunity to share some thoughts, and possibly revitalise my industry.

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