

DSICA echoes Queensland Health Minister on “Culture of Yobbism”

The Distilled Spirits Industry Council of Australia (DSICA) has lent its support to comments today by Queensland Health Minister Lawrence Springborg that alcohol-related violence in Australia’s entertainment precincts is the result of a “culture of yobbism”.

“The Minister expressed the views of many Australians – including senior police officers – that a very ugly and violent culture has developed amongst some young men, and that this is an entrenched and very difficult problem to solve,” said DSICA spokesman Stephen Riden.

“DSICA also echoes the Minister’s call for these violent thugs to face greater accountability for their actions and the damage they inflict on others,” he said.

“The great majority of Australians want to see reasonable regulations around alcohol access and availability, but matched with much greater accountability for those who abuse alcohol and then commit violence or other anti-social behaviour,” Mr Riden concluded.

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