

**From:** [Thanarat Techawuttiwat](#)  
**To:** [Committee, Economics & Industry Standing](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Thursday, 20 December 2018 10:50:43 AM

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**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Saturday, 15 December 2018 10:01:34 AM

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**To:** [Committee, Economics & Industry Standing](#)  
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**From:** [Mina Rezkalla](#)  
**To:** [Committee, Economics & Industry Standing](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Saturday, 15 December 2018 9:12:16 AM

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**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Sunday, 16 December 2018 8:10:26 AM

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**From:** [Ross Moody](#)  
**To:** [Committee, Economics & Industry Standing](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 11:20:14 AM

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**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 12:23:00 PM

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**To:** [Committee, Economics & Industry Standing](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 12:29:28 PM

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**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 12:54:38 PM

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**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
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**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 1:06:38 PM

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**From:** [Michelle De Ronchi](#)  
**To:** [Committee, Economics & Industry Standing](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 3:08:16 PM

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Airbnb assist with screening guests and also help ensure owners can accurately list property features and identity any safety concerns (stairs so parents can make a decision on property suitability) etc.

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**To:** [Committee, Economics & Industry Standing](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
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**From:** [Andy Ayling](#)  
**To:** [Committee, Economics & Industry Standing](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Tuesday, 18 December 2018 7:35:00 AM

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**From:** [Sue-Ellen Herwig](#)  
**To:** [Committee, Economics & Industry Standing](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Wednesday, 26 December 2018 8:42:36 AM

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**From:** [Lisa White](#)  
**To:** [Committee, Economics & Industry Standing](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Friday, 4 January 2019 11:00:34 AM

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**From:** [Lynn Simpson](#)  
**To:** [Committee, Economics & Industry Standing](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Saturday, 15 December 2018 10:42:49 AM

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**To:** [Committee, Economics & Industry Standing](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Wednesday, 23 January 2019 12:28:13 PM

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**To:** [Committee, Economics & Industry Standing](#)  
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**To:** [Committee, Economics & Industry Standing](#)  
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**To:** [Committee, Economics & Industry Standing](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
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**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
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**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 12:14:30 PM

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**Date:** Thursday, 20 December 2018 12:03:54 PM

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**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
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**To:** [Shaw, Jessica](#)  
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**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 11:02:18 AM

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**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 2:43:53 PM

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**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 10:50:22 AM

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**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 11:42:40 AM

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**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 2:00:01 PM

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**To:** [Shaw, Jessica](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 11:59:59 AM

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**To:** [Shaw, Jessica](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 2:45:29 PM

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**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 12:36:01 PM

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**To:** [Shaw, Jessica](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Saturday, 15 December 2018 12:39:37 PM

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**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 1:30:40 PM

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**From:** [Dennis Predovnik](#)  
**To:** [Shaw, Jessica](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 2:27:12 PM

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**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 12:06:38 PM

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**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 1:09:28 PM

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**To:** [Shaw, Jessica](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 11:19:39 AM

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**To:** [Shaw, Jessica](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Saturday, 15 December 2018 3:25:03 PM

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**To:** [Shaw, Jessica](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 12:38:31 PM

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**To:** [Shaw, Jessica](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Wednesday, 19 December 2018 8:15:56 AM

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**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
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**To:** [Shaw, Jessica](#)  
**Subject:** Inquiry into Short-Stay Accommodation: I support the right to home share in WA  
**Date:** Saturday, 15 December 2018 7:58:20 PM

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**Date:** Monday, 17 December 2018 3:38:34 PM

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