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Background

- Government initiatives
 - Senate Report on international students' welfare
 - International students' Round Table
 - COAG's National International Students' Strategy
- ISANA SIG
 - Proposal to develop an Issues Paper



Key areas

- Homestay
 - Standards in homestay
 - No national guidelines
 - Training materials
 - Whose jurisdiction?



Accommodation pitfalls

- Prevalence of internet advertising
 - No avenues for redress
 - False advertising
- Privacy legislation
 - Inability to blacklist unsuitable hosts



Under Age Student Issues

- Duty of care for under age students
 - Parents who obtain PR and leave the child behind
- Legislative requirements
 - DEEWR / DIAC



Proposed Recommendations

- Development of national standards
- National database for reporting breaches
- Education providers improve :
 - Professional development for staff
 - Agent training
- Closing of loopholes in legislation for under age students