

Hello:

I'm a very concerned consumer and a citizen of the state of Ohio. I feel DMCA and the "Exemption to Prohibition on Circumvention of Copyright Protection Systems for Access Control Technologies" in particular, tramples on our rights of the current fair use protections that exist in our current copyright laws.

As a consumer of many different copyrighted works, I'm very much against any legislation which gives businesses new "access protections" which control how, when, and where I access copyrighted works; basically overriding current fair use protections offered by existing copyright laws.

If this goes through, this would offer businesses way to much control how i access copyrighted works, something I do not want; it would effectively override the fair use protections and grant business new controls over content legally purchased. It is my opinion that the "Exemption to Prohibition on Circumvention of Copyright Protection Systems for Access Control Technologies" is anti consumer and anti fair use and is being used by "slick" lawyers to try to get around current fair use protections in existing copyright laws, to better their bottom line at the cost of the american consumer.

There are sufficient copyright laws on the books offering protections to both the authors of copyrighted works as well as the consumers. What is proposed is beyond bad, it's just plain horrible legislation.

This is a wonderful digital age with much potential and this "Exemption to Prohibition on Circumvention of Copyright Protection Systems for Access Control Technologies", if passed, would turn fair use and consumers rights upside down.

In closing, I'd like to say the purpose of the federal government is to protect individuals property and liberties granted to us by the united states constitution, not to grant special favors to certain industries. Let's keep america great,

Please say no to this legislation.

I want to watch dvd's on my open source operating system and continue to be able to access legally purchased copyrighted works, any way i choose.

Sincerely,

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