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I am concerned that among the Participants who have been involved in this inquiry there does  not appear to  be any representative from the Australian Society of Authors, which is the main organisation that represents authors in Australia. Why was this group not included in the discussion?

As an author of educational books and digital resources, I am also concerned that rather than broadening the definition of 'copyright material' to include digitally published work the inquiry appears to be threatening the rights of those who write books for schools to receive payments for print publications. We don't make much from writing educational material for Australian students, and CAL payments can be very important to us, allowing us to spend more time writing rather than earning money some other way.  If we are going to have people pursuing careers as educational writers in this country - and surely it's important for kids to read books written by Australians - we need to have some mechanisms to suport local authors in what is a small local market.

Aside from this, it just doesn't seem  fair to me that people should be able to copy and use a writer's work for nothing, even schools with limited budgets. OK, yes, let's not waste money on prosecuting a three-year-old for  singing a One Direction song on Youtube - but why do we have to soften the law on copyright? What's the age limit going to be for singing the One Direction song? Don't people just have to get wise and learn that something another person created with their own sweat and labour, can't be copied. Maybe we need to fund our schools better so they can afford to pay the creators who support them by writing educational resources?

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