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This is a very brief submission to the current Review of Copyright being undertaken by the Australian Law Reform Commission.

I am a writer and have received small amounts under the scheme.

I believe that the current system works well and is a system that fairly compensates all creators for the content they create.  I believe there is neither misunderstanding nor illegal use of content under the current Statutory Licence.

The current system, which is fair and efficient, benefits both the creator and the user.  I don’t believe that technological change is a sufficient reason to change the system which will erode or remove the rights of creators.

I believe that writers, artists and publishers are entitled to the same rights as any other group who offer intellectual property to the education community.

I hope the members of the Review will reconsider the recommendation to repeal the current Statutory Licence.

Yours faithfully

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