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I am a tertiary teacher with more than 15 years’ experience.
 As a teacher, I routinely photocopy, print, scan and electronically
share material with students in the classroom.
 The Educational Statutory Licence system makes my job easy. I can
copy and share so much material, for about the quarter of the
commercial cost of a textbook, and this facilitates my classroom
practice.
 It is also reassuring to know that the people who create the
educational content I use receive payment for their skill, time and
effort.
 As a teacher, I take pride in delivering a superior learning
experience for my students. Each class is different, so it would be
rare for me to use exactly the same material year-in and year-out. I
tailor the material to the challenges of each group of students.
 I understand a recommendation has been made to remove the current
system and replace it with a combination of new arrangements.
 I strongly oppose any change to the current system that will create
any further burden on my time.
 I strongly oppose any change to the current system that creates
uncertainty about what I can and cannot share with my students.
 I strongly oppose any change to the current system that takes away
fair remuneration from the people who create high-quality Australian
educational resources, many of whom are teachers, which I rely on and
value highly.

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