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**Subject:** Copyright Letter
**Importance:** High

To Whom It May Concern,

I am a primary teacher with more than 7.5 years’ experience. Before this I worked in Child Care for over 10 years.

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*** *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. Along with this, any change to the current system that creates uncertainty about what I can and cannot share with my students will take time away from teaching my students, whom I am there for. Finally, Teachers are already time poor so any change to the current system that will create any further burden on my time cannot be a  good thing for anyone, students and teachers alike.*

Thank you for your time,

Regards,

*Nicole Meloni (Dunford)*