To Whom this may Concern:

I am an aspiring artist. I wish to eventually work as a freelance artist for most, if not all, of my wages. Yet, if this bill is passed, I would not be able to achieve that dream, and there would be far less of a chance to make a livable wage achieving a goal that I have dedicated years of my life to achieve.

This bill would put my dreams and goals in between a rock and a hard place. It's important to me that *I* determine how and by whom my work is used.

I have a few personal pieces floating around out there on the internet…pieces that are not fan art by any means. If what this bill suggests is true, someone can utilize my work without paying me, as my work is considered an "orphan work" and therefore free for anyone to use. How is that fair to me as the creator?

I strongly reject the idea of the bill. It's not fair to professional artists, and it certainly isn't fair to the aspirations, goals, and dreams of hobbyists that would one day like to become a professional artist.

Thank you for reading,

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