To the Lawmakers of my country!

I am disheartened and also dismayed by to changes being considered regarding the new copyright law. Please do not take away the freedom of thought and expression! So many people all my life have discouraged artistic pursuits as a viable way to make a living. Many talented individuals have chosen less creative paths because they were told it isn't a financially rewarding career choice.

If you pass this law, it will be a last nail in the coffin for many artists' livelihoods. Art is a creative endeavor that is the bread and butter for hundreds of thousands of people, and many of us rely on being able to sell the rights to a creative work in order to create revenue when selling the piece is not an option or even needed by the buyer. Also, without the ability to protect our valuable products, any unscrupulous person can profit from them without proper compensation to the person originating the work.

Would you do what you do without any way to insist on proper and legal compensation?

I think not.