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As an artist and a student who is pursuing a career in an artistic field, the "Next Great Copyright Act" is about the worst possible thing that could happen to an established artist, and others such as myself hoping to make art their career. While current copyright law is not the best it could be, this act is not the way fix it. Creators, artists, and others will lose the rights to control their own product.

Something like this happening in any other industry would be unheard of. If a producer or manufacturer had something they made used without their consent, the person who used it would be sued for everything they have. Artists and other creators need to have that right and ability as well or we will lose everything. This is our livelihood. This is how we make money. If this new copyright act passes, we lose our jobs.

This act would be a huge negative impact to all artists, both those already established in the field and newcomers. Artists, especially freelance artists, already have a hard enough time keeping money coming in. This would only make it even harder, maybe even impossible. This is something that cannot be allowed to happen.

And like I previously mentioned, this would never happen in any other industry. Why treat artists and content creators any differently?

We deserve to make money and have control over the things we create.
We deserve to have control over our product.

Sincerely

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