

Authors rely on royalties to make up the small payment they receive for many hours of work. Even with the royalties, they are not likely to make the equivalent to minimum wage for their work.

It is ludicrous to think that writers and artists have no interest in making money. That's like saying artists don't want to eat or live in a house. They need money to survive the same as anyone else.

The government keeps talking about innovation, but the surest way to kill innovation is to take away the royalties an artist, inventor, or writer will make in Australia. This will only chase innovators to other countries where their work will remain theirs and be rewarded.

Creative minds are already undervalued in our society and underpaid; please don't take away their ownership of their work. This will destroy the already struggling book market in Australia and discourage innovators from building their products here.