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John Garratt Publishing remains opposed to the draft recommendations of the Productivity Commission. The recommendations would be unworkable and destructive in operation, and are not based on hard, verifiable evidence.

The Productivity Commission’s central recommendation — limiting the life of Australian territorial copyright to only 12 months — pretends to retain territorial contract while setting up conditions that would undermine and cripple it and do great harm to all involved in the Australian book industry, including consumers.

John Garratt Publishing remains opposed to any form of removal or erosion of the current territorial copyright regime.

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