

US Copyright Office

I support the exemptions in the DMCA which allow the ability to jailbreak Phones/tablets, and video game consoles.

I'm a hobbyist, with an emphasis on Home Automation and control.

I depend on the ability to jailbreak (or root) the phones and tablets I use in order to develop software and compatible peripherals for devices, as well as to install software of my own choosing.

I'm also a user of game consoles (jailbroken to run 3rd-party backup tools, 3rd-party games and apps).

Without the ability to jailbreak a device legally, I couldn't run software that I wish to run, that is freely available and legal to run, except that the device won't run the software without jailbreaking it first.

I do not jailbreak devices to "pirate" software or to run illegal "backups" of licensed software. The software I run on my jailbroken devices is all legal.

I truly believe that one of the basic rights of owning a product is to actually *own* it, and do whatever you wish with that product, tinker, explore, figure out how it works, etc. Without the free right to "jailbreak" or "root" the device, you can't do these things.

I request that the exemptions previously made for jailbreaking devices not being an offence under DMCA be extended, or even better, made a permanent exemption.

Thank you.

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