Dear Copyright office and all whom this may concern,

My name is Deseret Fowler, and I am an artist. I have done some semesters with Academy of Art University, and now I am attending Brigham Young University. I have won a couple awards, and have had one of my paintings displayed in the LDS Art History Museum in Salt Lake. When I am finished, my profession will be waged solely from my artwork. If this bill goes through I will not be able to provide for my Family or myself. If people can just use a picture that I spent 30 hours of work on, without having to pay me for it, I will be working for free. That would not be fair. That would be like me working as a doctor for 30 hours and all of the money I have earned is freely dispersed to many others who can benefit undeservingly from my work. I think people should earn money themselves and not just benefit from others hard work. Copyrights are the only thing making it possible for artist to make money. And photographers, writers, architects, and countless other professions are affected the same way. Having to register everything and pay money is not logical. I need the right to choose who uses my work, I do not want someone just taking a picture I have created and using it as an advertisement without my permission. Even as a student I make money from my artwork, and if others got to sell it to people for a cheaper price than me, I would make nothing from my work and others would. I understand that the people that wrote this bill may not have considered how detrimental this would be to the professionals in the creative world. It would only benefit big companies and not individuals. So I cannot emphasis enough how important it is to keep copyright laws as they are. Or else people will cease to create in order to not let others freely disperse it. In the constitution it states we have the right to our inventions and writings and discoveries. Please do not take away the freedom of the creator's rights to their own inventions.
Thank you.

Yours truly
-Deseret Fowler