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I personally believe that the prohibition on circumvention of copyright systems is more of a burden on consumers than protection for software companies. Copyright laws as they stood before this legislation were more than adequate to protect the intellectual property of businesses. Now this legislation is being used to harm consumers. People are being told that they cannot watch the DVDs they purchased unless they use the right software -- if you own a Linux, Unix, or any other non-Windows or non-Mac computer you can't watch DVDs that you legally paid for.

If someone is making illegal copies of any software or other intellectual property they are already committing a crime. Why obscure this with complicated laws that can put honest citizens behind bars for just watching a DVD they own? These prohibitions do that. They give private business the power to say that you need to own a certain kind of computer or a certain kind of DVD player if you want to watch their movies -- to use another play is a crime.

I fully disagree with this legislation. I hope you will come to this conclusion as i have.

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