

Copyright is enshrined in the US Constitution as a right, but the US copyright laws currently make registration a requirement to fully enjoy the same level of constitutional protection of that right as other constitutional rights have. The current cost of electronic registration is fair enough as covering the cost of processing, but the proposed increase is beyond the cost of processing and amounts to a tax on a constitutional right. It will have the effect of hampering the ability of some people to execute a right that the constitution guarantees.