As both an associate at a print center and an aspiring graphic artist, I cannot believe something like this is even being considered. Copyright, in my opinion, is a basic right that should be guaranteed and respected at no cost in all forms and by all institutions. Forcing people to pay for the rights to their own ideas and creations is completely ludicrous.

All kinds of people are spending money on software, rights to use commercially available fonts, computers, tablets, online storage, advertising space, hosting for websites, and more just so they can create beautiful things to share and express themselves. There are artists who work in physical media with paints, pencils, oils, canvases, sketchbooks, pens, brushes… Lord, the list goes on forever, failing even to mention the kind of money photographers put into their equipment. People spend HOURS on one project to perfect it. There is no way someone should put time, effort, and even money into a piece of artwork, only to have it made available for exploitation by the masses as punishment for choosing to share it. People build their lives on the things they create. You cannot take away someone's right to their own mind.

This is just another angle from which the government desires to attack creativity in society, starting with the removal of arts programs from schools. You want to guarantee a world controlled by corporate media and decorated with ugly clip art? Let this pass into law.