

Opposition to Bill C-61 is Growing

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Over the last week there has been some excellent coverage in the press and in the blogs showing the growing opposition to Bill C-61. There are also numerous press releases and position papers being sent out from various organizations. I'll be critically assessing different sections of the bill and the positions of various groups in a series of upcoming posts. For now here are some recent entries worth noting.

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From the media:

- Ivor Tosell's article in Thursday's Globe and Mail Copyright Cock-up
- Globe and Mail's Q&A with Jeremy DeBeer
- Vancouver Sun editorial, 'Win-win' Copyright Act still has plenty of losers
- Michael Geist's Toronto Star columns, How the U.S. got its Canadian copyright bill and Troubling details in new downloading law
- Calgary Herald opinion piece by Catherine Ford, Copyright law would turn millions into criminals
- CBC's Jesse Brown interviewing James Prentice on the last installment of the Search Engine show
- Vue Weekly Digital locks, lack of consultation fuel anger at copyright bill

From Bloggers:

- Laura Murray's An Act to Discourage Learning and Bill C-61: First Reactions
- Michael Geist's A Week in the Life of the Canadian DMCA
- Juliana Yau's Brief Thoughts on Bill C-61

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Â From stakeholder groups:

- Canadian Library Association
- Canadian Federation of Students
- Canadian Federation for the Humanities and the Social Sciences
- Canadian Association of University Teachers
- Documentary Organization of Canada
- Campus Stores Canada
- Canadian Software Innovation Alliance
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- On the floor of Parliament: Charlie Angus questions James Prentice during question period The Fair Copyright for Canada Facebook group now has over 70,000 members
- Angus Reid Poll on Copyright