

Subject: RFI: Public Access to Peer-Reviewed Scholarly Publications

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Dear Science and Technology Policy Office,

It has recently come to my attention that a new act ("Research Works Act") is seeking to prevent the public to have access to research that is publically funded, solely to the benefit of certain large publishing companies. The many ways in which this is wrong cannot be understated. It is a complete mystery to me how this act has reached the current stage. The public has the right to see what they funded, and no private company should be able to restrict what is made available.

Best regards,

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