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One problem with enforcing intellectual property is that the patent system is broken in many ways. If people are allowed to continue to patent generalized descriptions of tasks, designs or processes without providing very specific implementation notes, then the IP system will continue to be broken. This applies mostly to software, where companies like Apple, Microsoft and other giants patent some pretty general descriptions of operating system or application software components and then when an independent company or developer simply has a great idea to create some software that could possibly fall under that general patent description, the "big boys" and their watch dogs (lawyers) move in and shut them down.

I apologize for not really contributing to how you might better enforce IP issues, but I think there are plenty of other issues that need to be addressed as well. Don't get me started on Tax Law either. :)