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The fight against intellectual property pirates is an important one. Unfortunately, when these matters are brought to our attention, they are always by huge record labels that have a lot of money to sue with.

As shown in the statements of an independent music manager here

(<http://blogs.myspace.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=blog.view&friendId=81170767&blogId=512410712>)

Sometimes major labels like Warner Music claim ownership of copyrights that they do not actually own. Nothing is done to protect these artists from the large record labels.

Money is not lost from the American economy by music piracy. If anything, that money is spent on other music as music downloaders discover new people to buy music from. The same record companies that claim that illegal piracy is costing them millions haven't shown losses proportional to their claims.

Please see that large record labels do not need protecting. They are not protecting the American people. We do not depend on their business to function. They certainly do not need my tax dollars supplementing their advertising / legal branches.

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