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I do not believe that there are sufficient provisions in this bill to protect ordinary citizens against unwarranted intrusion into their lives via their electronic communications devices. (Computers, Smartphones, Tablets, etc.) The usual caveat of “Reasonable Grounds” seems to be the basis for these intrusions to be initiated. What exactly are “Reasonable grounds” and who decides what is “Reasonable”?

I agree that criminals can and do use encryption to hide their activities from law enforcement, and that law enforcement should be able to gain access to a **criminal’s** devices to determine the extent of their illegal activities. However I do not believe that this gives any government body the right to gain access to **any citizen’s** electronic devices in order to view, confiscate, copy, delete or do whatever they like to their personal, private information without due **legal process**. It should not be possible for any individual or group of individuals to arbitrarily decide what constitutes “reasonable grounds”.

This is tantamount to declaring any Australian Citizen “Guilty till proven Innocent” and should not be allowed.

***Kind regards,***

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