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To: [Assistance Bill Consultation](#)
Subject: Submission to consultation on the Assistance and Access Bill 2018
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Dear Minister and/or Senator,

I write to express my concerns over the draft legislation titled 'The Assistance and Access Bill 2018', and outline these concerns below.

1) The bill is too broad and overreaching-

It's great that you want to prosecute sexual predators and pedophiles! But you're taking a sledgehammer to a situation that should require a scalpel. Registered sex offenders deserve to have their data tracked, but I have yet to see how the bill would specifically only specify them and others who have actually broken the law and committed heinous crimes such as sex trafficking and soliciting child pornography.

2) The terminology is too vague-

It is understandable that legalese is required in order to draft a proper bill because of laws requiring these bills to use certain terminology, but obfuscating the true meaning of your words is quite something else with this bill. I am specifically troubled by phrases such as 'reasonable and proportionate'. It leaves too much to be interpreted.

3) You are pushing this bill through Australia-

Australia is the weakest of the 'Five Eyes' and lacks a Bill of Rights, yet you want to spy on my American information through the Australian government and look through all of my app data any time I access a device anywhere in the world.

I wish to politely request that this bill be refined to better reflect its exact purpose and be carefully pondered about to take into consideration these and other possible unwanted consequences of the current draft. There is potential here but more fat and some nebulous terms need to be cut away.

Thank you.

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