

I am submitting this letter in support of extending the smart phone and tablet exemption of "jailbreaking" from the DMCA.

In the course of my job it is necessary to secure and enable smartphone hardware. To do this inevitably involves so called "jailbreaking" of the device. Phone manufacturers or service providers have been found to install spyware on devices making them unsuitable for administering or accessing computer systems which contain academic records or health care information specifically protected by federal law. In order to access these systems from a device, one needs to remove any spyware and install software ensuring an encrypted channel of remote communication. The only way to remove said spyware and install said communication software from virtually all of todays smart phones and tablet computers is via so called "jailbreaking" techniques.

Sincerely,

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