

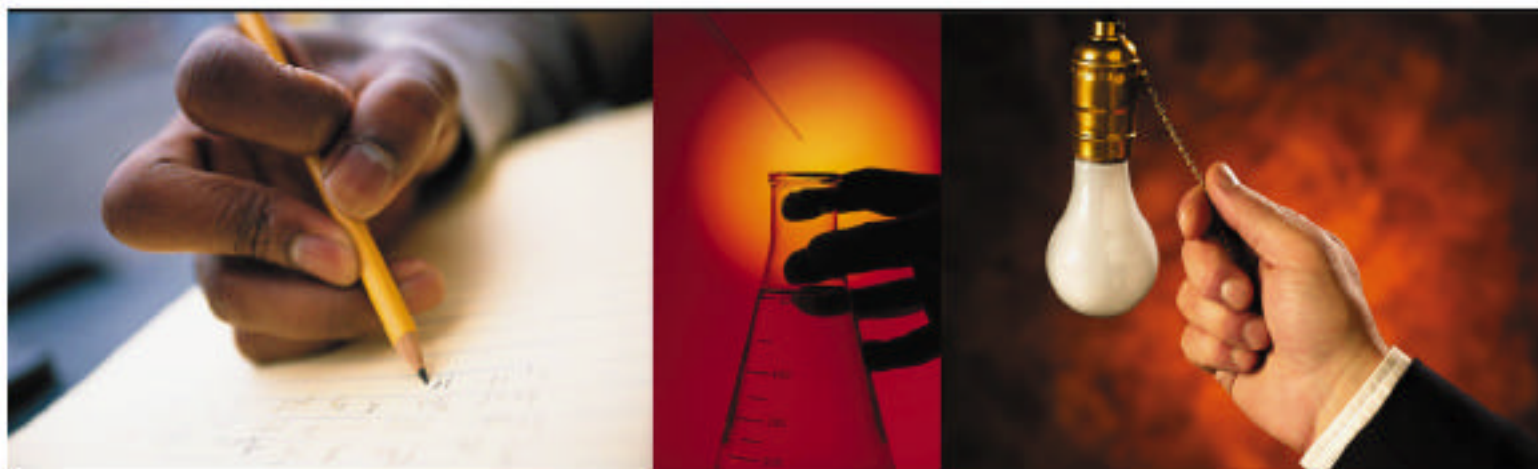
When 13 associations dedicated to sharing knowledge come together with one message, you know it's serious.

Canada is headed down the wrong path of copyright reform

In May 2004, the House of Commons Committee on Canadian Heritage issued a report recommending changes to the *Copyright Act* designed to bring our legislation into the digital age. That report was re-tabled in November, making its recommendations one step closer to reality.

If enacted by Parliament, these changes will seriously hinder the public's access to information.

The truth about copyright legislation:



It should encourage education. Once a work has been legally acquired, users should be able to share material in an environment of life-long learning, education and research.

It should foster innovation. Canadian students, educators, librarians, archivists, curators and researchers need a copyright law that facilitates learning, innovation and productivity.

It should put Canadians on equal footing. Canadian users need a copyright law that gives them the same advantages as their counterparts in the U.S., the U.K. and Australia.

Change the path of copyright reform

For more information, go www.cla.ca/copyright

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- Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada
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- Canadian Library Association
- Canadian Museums Association
- Canadian Teachers' Federation
- Canadian Urban Libraries Council
- Copyright Consortium of the Council of Ministers of Education, Canada
- British Columbia Library Association
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