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To get to the point,

I fervently detest the amendments to this bill, in particular the amendments which compel users to unlock their device or face fines/prison time, as well as compelling companies to develop back doors into their technology.

Encryption is essential, and the privacy of Australian Citizens' personal data should not be undermined and violated under the *guise* of national security. This is a severely concerning piece of legislation, and the right to privacy is a fundamental cornerstone of our democracy. This is serious stuff, and again, using national security as the justification for eroding these rights is simply not good enough, and it should not be tolerated.

Further, the legislation punishing those who reveal they have been compelled to hand over data is terrifying, and reminiscent of a *1984* style government.

What more can I do to communicate my opposition to these proposed changes in legislation?

I am not satisfied with simply emailing my concerns regarding this issue.

Sincerely,

Jack Coughlin, Australian Citizen