

Historical Approaches to Copyright Reform - Lessons from the Past

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As New Zealand undergoes a review of its Copyright Act 1994, many other legal systems are also considering whether their copyright regimes need review or even radical overhaul. The scope and reach of copyright law has obviously changed dramatically over the past several hundred years of its history.

How has copyright reform been achieved in the past? By what methods have governments or private bodies taken into account the many interests involved when amending and expanding copyright protection? This talk will look at some examples from the history of copyright law to determine if past approaches to copyright reform can offer us any valuable lessons today.

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