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I am an Artist/Songwriter. Thanks for receiving my comments concerning Consent Decrees. I am not a lawyer so I appreciate your efforts to understand the spirit in which I write.

Thank you,  
Sam Reeves

It would be easier to make a sustainable living if the following were allowed:

- 1) higher minimum rates for creators across all forms public performance
- 2) ability to opt out on having to publish to entities who lobby sucessfully in effectively lowering the rates of creators
- 3) simplified transparency
- 4) the ability to expand creators rights with expansion of technology