

 <b>Regulatory Policy Committee</b>	<b>OPINION</b>	
<b>Impact Assessment (IA)</b>	Extend exception for copying for research and private study	
<b>Lead Department/Agency</b>	Department for Business, Innovation and Skills	
<b>Stage</b>	Final	
<b>Origin</b>	Domestic	
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<b>Overall Assessment</b>	<b>AMBER</b>	
<p>The IA is fit for purpose. Although the costs and benefits have not been monetised, the IA clearly explains the limitations and uncertainty around the available data to provide reasonable monetised estimates of costs and benefits. However, the IA should clearly separate the impacts of the two different parts (Options) of the policy.</p>		
<p><b>Identification of costs and benefits, and the impacts on small firms, public and third sector organisations, individuals and community groups and reflection of these in the choice of options</b></p> <p><i>Costs and Benefits.</i> The IA provides a reasonable assessment of the likely impacts of the two measures on different affected groups. Although the costs and benefits have not been monetised, the IA clearly explains the limitations and uncertainty around the available data, including that gathered during the consultation, to provide reliable monetised estimates of costs and benefits. However, prior to publication, the IA should be amended to provide a clearer summary of the overall impact, separating out the impacts of the two distinct parts (Options) of the policy (i.e. changing the scope of copyright law and introducing an exception).</p>		
<p><b>Have the necessary burden reductions required by One-in, One-out been identified and are they robust?</b></p> <p>The IA says that the proposal is a deregulatory measure that is likely to have a net benefit to business. As the Department have been unable to monetise the costs and benefits, no Equivalent Annual Net Cost to Business (EANCB) has been scored. Based on the evidence presented it appears reasonable to treat the measure as an OUT for One-in, One-out purposes.</p>		
<b>Signed</b> 	<b>Michael Gibbons, Chairman</b>	