I would like to voice my concern as an Australian Citizen at the notion of opening up metadata compulsorily stored as part of an amendment to the Telecommunications act 1997.

I view this storage of metadata as an enormous invasion of privacy for all Australian Citizens, and believe that the power of such legislation should only be wielded by those entrusted by the public to do so (high level police force, anti-terrorism task-forces and in special cases such as Child Pornography).

I firmly believe that opening up access to this compulsory stored data to be used in civil cases, or in fact accessed by anyone not named above to be a violation of the basic human right to privacy. What people do in the privacy of their own homes should be their business, and their business alone (within the realms of the law).

Regards,

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