

I wish to strongly state that I do not believe that any law that is not available free of charge is enforceable. One must have easy access to a law in order to obey it. Any secret law will, by necessity, be punitive in nature. That is, not in order to help the people obey it, but to punish those whom those in power wish to punish.

Availability can be had in many ways: a physical copy at the local office related to the law in question, on-line, at the library, etc. However, in the modern day, any and all laws should *at least* be available on-line from the body passing that law. This insures an official version of the law. It needs to be the complete law. Libraries provide free web access which reduces the digital divide and allows all who wish free access to the law.

Incorporation by reference is just a dodge. If the item referenced is required to obey the law, then it must be as accessible as the rest of the law. If the passing body or the provider of the reference do not wish this to happen, then that item should not be part of the law. It is that simple.

Laws should *not* have copyright. If you wish your reference to have copyright, argue that it not be part of the law. If you wish it to be law, then arrange your funding based on the concept that the law is not going to be something that *you* have private control over.