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Subject: Why would you do this to me???

I'm not going to go into all the reasons as to why this is not the "fix" for what some are looking for. Let's just say that it's like someone being shot by someone else and then the "powers at be" blaming the gun and not the "shooter".

I have been trading a live, micro account for about two years now learning how to trade. Day and night and spending a lot of time away from my family for the possibility of some kind of retirement. Now, to get to the point, in one swoop of a pen, my government is going to take it all away from us! Every day our country moves farther and farther toward a socialistic nation and it is not what this country was founded on. We need "some" regulations" but wiping out millions of hopes and dreams of millions of those that want the possibility of "getting ahead" is not the way to do that. Please reconsider. It seems to me that the ones you want to control with this ruling, are in fact the ones that won't be affected by it. It will definitely effect the little guy like me.

Thank you,

Howard Hickman

PS. This is the biggest thing I don't understand... I, and many others like me, are fully aware and understand if we fail. But to have have failure thrust upon us by our own government is just too hard to accept.