I work with a full-time band (meaning none of the band members have outside jobs of playing full time in the band) and the band is really popular and well received in various music festivals but despite the tens of thousands of fans we have, our music does not get played on commercial radio. We are an independent band and we are able to make living with playing music but we do not have extra money to pay the big radio stations to have our music played on the radio. It's unfair. And people always ask us why we aren't on the radio and the answer is very simple -- payola. Since we can't afford to pay the commercial stations to play our music, it will never be played on these radio stations. Even with today's internet popularity, commercial radio stations still have very big influence on what music people will listen to and what music they will buy. We need this extra promotion and, possibly extra income, we could get if our music was played on radio. Please make the paying field fair for all musicians -- regardless if they are on a big commercial label or independent -- and stop payola. Thank you.