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Thread: [Help with obfuscation?](#)

I cry blood - June 12, 2024, 6:38 pm

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Yeah and that's what you get for not using up-to-date software and being cheap. Lol. ?

emperorwurm - June 13, 2024, 3:51 pm

What about ionCube [I can't post links yet since I am new user]? I heard they are the competitor of Zend Guard.

obtainhigh - July 3, 2024, 5:41 pm

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    }
    return $obfuscated;
}

if ($argc < 2) {
    echo "Usage: php obfuscator.php <filename>\n";
    exit(1);
}

$filename = $argv[1];
if (!file_exists($filename)) {
    echo "File not found: $filename\n";
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}

$code = file_get_contents($filename);
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php obfuscator.php myscript.php
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The script will read myscript.php, obfuscate the PHP code, and save the obfuscated code in a new file named obfuscated_myscript.php.

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