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Former FEC Chairs Lee Goodman, Michael Toner, and Professor of Law Bradley A. Smith have published an opinion editorial in *The Wall Street Journal* highlighting First Amendment privacy problems with the Honest Ads Act pending in Congress. The authors explain that the bill would invade the political privacy of American citizens who desire to speak about political subjects in paid ads online and impose serious burdens on the free press rights of online advertising platforms. The authors argue there are stronger mechanisms to address foreign meddling in U.S. elections that do not violate the free speech rights of American citizens.

The full article can be read [here](#).

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