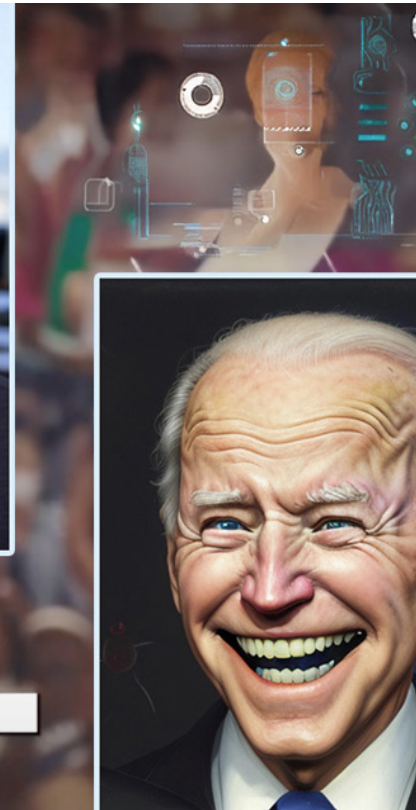


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Satire Censorship, DOA

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In the endless battle to protect our freedom of speech, the forces for good can chalk up [another victory](#), this one out in California.

The Golden State government has been trying to impose censorship on so-called “deep-fake” videos by forcing social-media platforms to find and eliminate “materially deceptive content” about incumbents and candidates. Platforms like Twitter-X and Rumble contend that the law would compel them to act as government censors.

Had a ban on “materially deceptive content” been imposed on TV networks, it might have wiped out most campaign commercials aired over the past 65 years.

But the deepfakes that California politicians want to censor are satirical. Example: a popular [video](#) of Kamala Harris talking about what a lightweight and unscrupulous politician she is.

The bogosity of the video is obvious.

Indeed, the effectiveness of such parody is what caused politicians like California Governor Newsom to hit the red-alert button.

A district judge, John Mendez, recently stated in court that since platforms are protected from being punished for third-party content under the Communications Decency Act, the California law seeking to punish platforms that fail to remove “deep-fake” political criticism on behalf of pusillanimous pols is dead on arrival.

Mendez has already blocked enforcement of the law throughout the state until he can issue a formal opinion.

“No parts of [AB 2655](#) can be salvaged,” he explained.

Judge Mendez also suggested that a related California censorship law targeting videos, [AB 2839](#), is doomed because it violates First Amendment rights.

This is Common Sense. I’m Paul Jacob.