

## **Press Release**

## The Precedents for Forcing Neutrality on Tech Platforms

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Senator Josh Hawley introduced a bill on Wednesday that would fundamentally change a key law underpinning the tech economy, Section 230 of the Communications Decency Act. AAF's Director of Technology and Innovation Policy Will Rinehart explains the history of Section 230's passage, the proposed revision, and the challenges the Ending Support for Internet Censorship Act would face if it becomes law.

## An excerpt:

This proposal arises from a longstanding concern about media companies and platforms: that they are biased. In fact, if enacted this proposal would not be the first law that attempts to force such neutrality. But such enforced neutrality has met opposition in the Supreme Court, and ironically it could stifle the free speech it seeks to support.

Read the insight.