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A new set of laws in Albania empowers a government agency to review citizen complaints about online news websites. If a site is found to have published untrue information, official regulators can fine the site's owners and demand that they issue retractions. Informally called the "anti-defamation package," the laws followed a year of heated public and legislative debate about how to create rules that would limit the spread of disinformation campaigns.

There has been much confusion about what exactly might constitute an infringement under the rules, and who should decide this. Earlier versions of the laws referred to online content that damaged society and the dignity of individuals. Critics worry that this vagueness is intentional, allowing appointed regulators to decide what counts as disinformation.

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