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Elizabeth Warren wants harsher penalties for sharing disinformation about voting | The Verge

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On Wednesday, presidential hopeful Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-MA) unveiled a new plan to fight disinformation, aiming to stem the effect of the Russian troll campaigns that plagued the 2016 election.

In particular, Warren proposes harsher laws against spreading misinformation for the purpose of voter suppression, as in ads spreading the wrong date for election day.

"I will push for new laws that impose tough civil and criminal penalties for knowingly disseminating this kind of information," Warren writes, "which has the explicit purpose of undermining the basic right to vote."

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