ELIONA — Singapore's Statutory Ban on Deepfakes of Election Candidates, First Applied in GE2025 With No Published Enforcement Data

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Quality score: 53/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

Singapore amended its election laws in October 2024 to ban realistic digitally manipulated depictions of candidates from Writ to Polling Day, with Returning Officer takedown powers and fines up to S$1m for platforms. First used in GE2025; no enforcement data published.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured public value	1/3
Transparency, fairness & accountability	2/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	1/3
Scalability beyond pilot	2/3
Governance, capability & sustainability	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

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