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THE *FEDERAL ACCOUNTABILITY ACT* THREE YEARS ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2009

The *Federal Accountability Act* (FAA), passed in December 2006, contained a wide range of reforms and changes to government accountability standards. Three years later, what has been the result? Has the FAA transformed accountability in government? Has it led to greater clarity, transparency and integrity? What unintended impacts has it had? Has the FAA created unnecessary new restrictions and burdens? And in particular, what has been the effect of the FAA on government relations through the new Lobbying Act and independent lobbying commissioner?

This seminar will examine these questions about the FAA three years on, with particular interest in its effect on government relations and lobbying. Speakers will discuss the overall merits and impact of the FAA and whether it has met its objectives. Confirmed speakers include the Commissioner of Lobbying, Karen Shepherd, and the former long-time chair of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, John Williams. Together, panelists will consider what the *Federal Accountability Act* really means, three years on.

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