The Senate Judiciary Committee is going to take up media shield legislation next week. Today's Washington Post has a great editorial about the need for such a law. Congressman Pence is carrying the House version of the Free Flow of Information Act with Rep. Rick Boucher (D-VA).

Key excerpt:

More than 40 reporters have been questioned in recent years by federal prosecutors about their sources, notes and reports in civil and criminal cases. No doubt those who would talk to the media confidentially have been chilled by such action. Without adequate protection on the federal level, much information that Americans have a right to know might never be known. That's not good for journalism -- and it isn't good for the republic, either.