

AI Child Safety Act

Protecting Children. Supporting Families. Promoting Responsible Innovation.

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Conversational AI is rapidly becoming a tutor, companion, adviser, and source of emotional support for children, before states have had a chance to establish basic safety standards governing how these systems are designed, tested, and deployed. The AI Child Safety Act creates technology-neutral safeguards that protect minors, strengthen parental confidence, and preserve responsible innovation.

"Children should not be the first real-world test subjects for powerful AI systems. It's too late for my son, but we can act now to protect other children."

Megan Garcia, Mother of Sewell Setzer III, forever 14

What the Bill Does

Requires AI chatbots to be tested for child safety before children use them.

- 1 Duty of Care**
Operators and developers must prioritize the safety of minor users. Safety may not be subordinated to profit.
- 2 Independent Testing Before Deployment**
Systems can't be deployed unless they pass a safety test conducted by an independent evaluator, covering impacts on mental health, data practices, age-appropriate design, financial and sexual exploitation.
- 3 Safeguards for Minors**
Systems must clearly disclose that users are interacting with AI, provide crisis resources for at-risk users, and prohibit child sexual exploitation. Systems may not be optimized to increase compulsive engagement or emotional dependency.
- 4 Protects Children's Data**
Prohibits training AI models on minors' conversations. No selling children's data and no targeted advertising.
- 5 Ensures Accountability and Effective Enforcement**
When AI systems harm children, companies can be held accountable. The Act authorizes state enforcement and a private right of action.

Toward a national standard. This framework is jurisdiction-neutral and ready to scale. We would welcome the opportunity to work with your office on federal legislation.



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