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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to artificial intelligence; creating the Responsible Deployment of AI Systems Act; providing definitions; clarifying applicability of act; directing for AI systems to comply with existing laws; requiring deployers to classify AI systems; requiring deployers conduct assessments of AI systems; requiring certain evaluations and documentation of high-risk AI systems; requiring qualified overseers; directing deployers to notify individuals when high-risk AI system influences certain decisions; directing deployers to establish governance groups; requiring deployers to maintain certain information; directing for annual independent audits of high-risk AI systems; requiring implementation of protocols; requiring accessible feedback channels; requiring annual performance report; directing the AI Council to analyze feedback and make annual recommendations; providing for penalties; requiring deployers to publicly disclose noncompliance incidents; establishing the Artificial Intelligence Council; providing responsibilities; providing membership; directing for members to come from certain backgrounds; directing the AI Council to develop the AI Regulatory Sandbox Program; providing description of the AI Regulatory Sandbox Program; directing the AI Council to develop the Artificial Intelligence Workforce Development Program; clarifying eligible applicants; clarifying priorities; granting rulemaking authority to the AI Council; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

2 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
3 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 501 of Title 25, unless there is  
4 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

5 This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Responsible  
6 Deployment of AI Systems Act".

7 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
8 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 502 of Title 25, unless there is  
9 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

10 As used in this act:

11 1. "AI system" means an artificial intelligence or machine  
12 learning-based or algorithmic technology designed to perform tasks  
13 that typically require human intelligence, including decision-  
14 making, prediction, or recommendation;

15 2. "Deployer" means any public entity, private organization, or  
16 individual that implements AI systems for operational use;

17 3. "Risk classification" means one of the following:

18 a. Unacceptable Risk:

19 (1) means AI applications incompatible with social  
20 values and fundamental rights,

21 (2) includes social scoring, manipulative AI  
22 targeting vulnerable groups, and real-time  
23 biometric identification systems or may include  
24 any of the following:

- (a) deployment of AI systems for discriminatory lending practices or biased law enforcement profiling,
  - (b) unauthorized use of biometric analysis tools for surveillance purposes in public and private spaces,
  - (c) integration of AI into systems with unregulated access to sensitive government databases, or
  - (d) AI-driven misinformation campaigns targeting elections, public health, or emergency response systems, and
- (3) AI systems under this category are prohibited from development, deployment, or use,

b. High Risk:

- (1) means AI systems with significant potential to impact safety, civil liberties, or fundamental rights,
- (2) includes AI in health care, critical infrastructure, law enforcement, financial services, and public welfare, and
- (3) AI systems under this category are subject to rigorous pre-deployment risk assessments, independent audits, strict operational

1 requirements, and ongoing real-time monitoring  
2 including mandatory human oversight by qualified  
3 overseers,

4 c. Limited Risk:

5 (1) means AI systems that pose moderate risks, such  
6 as manipulation or deceit, but not classified as  
7 high risk,

8 (2) includes chatbots and content creation tools such  
9 as deepfake generators, and

10 (3) AI systems under this category require providers  
11 to ensure transparency, informing users when they  
12 interact with AI systems or consume AI-generated  
13 content and requires basic safeguards to prevent  
14 manipulation, and

15 d. Minimal Risk:

16 (1) means AI systems with little to no risk to users,

17 (2) Examples include most consumer-facing AI  
18 applications such as virtual assistants, and

19 (3) AI systems under this category require minimal  
20 oversight, with adherence to basic data  
21 protection standards; and

22 4. "Qualified human overseer" means a trained individual  
23 responsible for monitoring and validating high-risk AI system  
24 outputs, with authority to amend or override them when necessary.

1 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
2 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 503 of Title 25, unless there is  
3 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

4 A. This act is applicable to all public sector agencies and  
5 private entities deploying artificial intelligence (AI) systems  
6 affecting individuals within this state.

7 B. All AI systems shall comply with existing laws, including:

- 8 1. Federal and state civil rights protections;
- 9 2. Data protection laws and state privacy laws; and
- 10 3. Consumer protection laws and regulations.

11 SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
12 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 504 of Title 25, unless there is  
13 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

14 A. Deployers must classify artificial intelligence (AI) systems  
15 into one of four risk categories outlined in Section 2 of this act  
16 before deployment.

17 B. Deployers shall conduct assessments of AI systems to  
18 identify:

- 19 1. Potential biases in training data;
- 20 2. Risks to safety, civil liberties, and fundamental right; and
- 21 3. Mitigation strategies for identified risks.

22 C. High-risk AI systems must undergo ongoing performance  
23 evaluations, with documentation of findings and actions taken to  
24 address deficiencies.

1 D. Qualified overseers must validate AI outputs before they are  
2 enacted and retain authority to override system recommendations.

3 E. Deployers shall notify affected individuals when high-risk  
4 AI systems influence decisions about the individuals and provide  
5 avenues for appeal or human review.

6 SECTION 5. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
7 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 505 of Title 25, unless there is  
8 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

9 A. All deployers shall establish governance groups to oversee  
10 the classification, deployment, and monitoring of high-risk  
11 artificial intelligence (AI) systems.

12 B. Deployers shall maintain the following:

- 13 1. Updated inventories of deployed AI systems;
- 14 2. Documentation on system design, intended use, and training  
15 data; and
- 16 3. Records of audits, risk assessments, and oversight  
17 activities.

18 C. High-risk AI systems must undergo annual independent audits  
19 to ensure compliance with legal and ethical standards.

20 D. Deployers shall implement protocols to address identified  
21 deficiencies, including suspension or recalibration of systems.

22 SECTION 6. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 506 of Title 25, unless there is  
24 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 A. Deployers shall provide accessible channels for public and  
2 stakeholder feedback on the operation and impact of artificial  
3 intelligence (AI) systems.

4 B. Aggregated feedback data must be included in an annual  
5 performance report made available by January 1 of each year to the  
6 Artificial Intelligence Council (AI Council), created in Section 8  
7 of this act.

8 C. The AI Council will analyze feedback and make annual  
9 recommendations to inform updates to state and industry-specific  
10 artificial intelligence and machine-learning regulations.

11 SECTION 7. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
12 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 507 of Title 25, unless there is  
13 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

14 A. Violations of this act may result in the Artificial  
15 Intelligence Council (AI Council) issuing any of the following:

16 1. Financial penalties proportional to the severity of the  
17 infraction;

18 2. Suspension or prohibition of noncompliant systems; and

19 3. Mandatory external oversight until compliance is restored.

20 B. Deployers shall publicly disclose noncompliance incidents  
21 and the corrective actions taken.

22 SECTION 8. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 508 of Title 25, unless there is  
24 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1       A. There is hereby established the Artificial Intelligence  
2 Council (AI Council) which shall oversee the regulation, deployment,  
3 and ethical use of AI systems within this state.

4       B. The AI Council shall be responsible for:

5       1. Overseeing the AI Regulatory Sandbox Program to foster  
6 innovation while maintaining safety and accountability;

7       2. Manage the AI Workforce Development Program, including  
8 administering grants to small businesses and educational  
9 institutions, with a focus on underserved communities;

10       3. Develop and update guidelines for AI system classification,  
11 risk assessments, and ethical standards;

12       4. Facilitate public and stakeholder engagement on AI policies  
13 and regulations; and

14       5. Provide annual reports to the Legislature on the status of  
15 AI deployment, innovation, and workforce initiatives.

16       C. The AI Council shall include nine (9) members:

17       1. Three appointed by the Governor;

18       2. Three appointed by the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of  
19 Representatives; and

20       3. Three appointed by the President Tempore of the Oklahoma  
21 State Senate.

22       D. Selected members shall come from one or more of the  
23 following backgrounds:  
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- 1        1. Experts in artificial intelligence ethics, law, and
- 2 technology;
- 3        2. Representatives from public agencies and private industry;
- 4 and
- 5        3. Advocates for civil rights and underserved communities.

6        SECTION 9.        NEW LAW        A new section of law to be codified  
7 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 509 of Title 25, unless there is  
8 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

9        A. The Artificial Intelligence Council (AI Council) shall  
10 develop the AI Regulatory Sandbox Program.

11        B. The AI Regulatory Sandbox Program shall provide a controlled  
12 environment for deployers to test innovative AI systems while  
13 ensuring compliance with ethical and safety standards.

14        C. The AI Council shall:

15        1. Approve or deny applications for participation in the  
16 sandbox;

17        2. Set limits and safeguards for testing activities; and

18        3. Monitor and evaluate sandbox outcomes for compliance and  
19 potential risks.

20        D. Applicants must demonstrate:

21        1. The potential for societal benefit or economic development;

22        2. Compliance with data privacy and security requirements; and

23        3. Alignment with ethical principles set by the AI Council.

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1 E. Participants shall submit periodic progress reports and a  
2 final evaluation detailing the system's performance, risks  
3 identified, and mitigation measures taken.

4 SECTION 10. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
5 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 510 of Title 25, unless there is  
6 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

7 A. The Artificial Intelligence Council (AI Council) shall  
8 develop the Artificial Intelligence Workforce Development Program  
9 (AI Program), the purpose of which shall be to enhance AI-related  
10 workforce capabilities by focusing on small businesses and  
11 underserved communities, particularly rural and low-income areas.

12 B. The AI Council shall:

13 1. Develop grant criteria for small businesses and educational  
14 institutions; and

15 2. Monitor program outcomes and report annually to the  
16 Legislature.

17 C. Eligible applicants may include:

18 1. Small businesses integrating AI systems to improve  
19 operations; and

20 2. Educational institutions offering AI-related training or  
21 certification programs targeting underserved populations.

22 D. The program shall prioritize:

23 1. Rural outreach programs to introduce AI literacy and  
24 training;

1        2. Partnerships with local schools to create STEM pathways  
2 focused on AI; and

3        3. Affordable training opportunities for individuals from low-  
4 income backgrounds.

5        SECTION 11.        NEW LAW        A new section of law to be codified  
6 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 511 of Title 25, unless there is  
7 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

8        The Artificial Intelligence Council (AI Council) shall have the  
9 authority to establish rules to enforce this act.

10       SECTION 12. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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