

Computer & Communications Industry Association State Artificial Intelligence Landscape 2025



The Computer & Communications Industry Association's 2025 State Artificial Intelligence Landscape report examines the rapid rise of AI-related legislation across all 50 states. With nearly every state introducing at least one AI bill this year, the report highlights key trends shaping how state governments are approaching this emerging technology, including safety guardrails, chatbot regulation, deepfake controls, and digital watermarking. It also outlines the risks of overly broad or inconsistent rules, warning that fragmented state-level regulation could inhibit innovation, increase compliance costs, and limit the benefits AI can offer to consumers and businesses.

Key States



California

California continues to lead AI legislative activity, advancing several measures on safety and online protections that could have broad implications for innovation. Governor Newsom recently signed SB 53, establishing AI safety standards for "frontier models," and SB 243, regulating chatbot interactions with minors. While both bills aim to improve safety, CCIA cautions that their scope and compliance burdens may unintentionally slow AI development and restrict access to digital tools.



New York

New York's RAISE Act (A 6453) would impose sweeping liability on AI developers for user behavior and restrict open research practices. CCIA opposed the bill, urging lawmakers to focus on workable, transparent frameworks that build public trust while preserving innovation. The association has called for a veto of the measure, noting that inflexible state laws could drive research and investment out of state.



New Hampshire

In New Hampshire, HB 143 originally included broad liability and a private right of action for chatbot interactions. CCIA successfully worked with legislators to remove problematic provisions and improve clarity — a model of constructive engagement the association plans to replicate as similar proposals emerge in Connecticut and Florida.

As Congress debates federal standards, states continue experimenting with their own AI rules. CCIA's report warns that a patchwork of state approaches could threaten the national digital economy. CCIA will continue working with policymakers to ensure that AI legislation supports responsible innovation, assigns liability to the appropriate actors, and safeguards the economic and societal benefits of emerging technologies.

Read the full State Artificial Intelligence Landscape report at ccianet.org.



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