

STATE OF WISCONSIN

TO: MEMBERS OF THE STUDY COMMITTEE ON THE REGULATION OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IN WISCONSIN.

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This is to notify you that the mail ballot submitted to your committee has the following results:

- 1. Instead of focusing on regulating the emerging technology that is artificial intelligence (AI), the Legislature should focus on ensuring that data, the raw material that powers AI, remains private and the consumer protected passed on a vote of Ayes, 7 (Sen. Bradley; Rep. Armstrong; and Public Members Alt, Barnhouse, Hill, Kirchner, and Mende); Noes, 4 (Sen. Carpenter; Rep. C. Anderson; and Public Members Dickson and Henrich); and Not Voting, 1 (Public Member Toney).
- 2. The Legislature should learn from the experiences of other states and avoid the potential overreach of comprehensive AI legislation, and should instead prioritize high-risk areas susceptible to exploitation or abuse passed on a vote of Ayes, 11 (Sens. Bradley and Carpenter; Reps. Armstrong and C. Anderson; and Public Members Alt, Barnhouse, Dickson, Henrich, Hill, Kirchner, and Mende); Noes, 0; and Not Voting, 1 (Public Member Toney).
- 3. The Legislature should ensure that existing laws apply to AI models in the same way that those laws apply to individuals, but should avoid creating duplicative statutes that unnecessarily single out AI passed on a vote of Ayes, 11 (Sens. Bradley and Carpenter; Reps. Armstrong and C. Anderson; and Public Members Alt, Barnhouse, Dickson, Henrich, Hill, Kirchner, and Mende); Noes, 0; and Not Voting, 1 (Public Member Toney).
- 4. The Legislature should ensure that programs related to education and workforce development, such as Fast Forward, have a scope that is broad enough to include AI upskilling, training, and education; are funded accordingly; and work to address any disparity in access between rural and urban communities passed on a vote of Ayes, 12 (Sens. Bradley and Carpenter; Reps. Armstrong and C. Anderson; and Public Members Alt, Barnhouse, Dickson, Henrich, Hill, Kirchner, Mende, and Toney); and Noes, 0.
- 5. The Legislature should consider establishing a permanent study committee, new legislative standing committee, or inter-branch commission to review emerging technologies, including AI, and make legislative recommendations regarding the same passed on a vote of Ayes, 12 (Sens. Bradley and Carpenter, Reps. Armstrong and C. Anderson; and Public Members Alt, Barnhouse, Dickson, Henrich, Hill, Kirchner, Mende, and Toney); and Noes, 0.
- 6. The Legislature should, as AI technology advances, examine and invest in technology powered by AI that will assist with public safety, such as gun detection software passed on a vote of Ayes, 12 (Sens. Bradley and Carpenter; Reps. Armstrong and C. Anderson; and Public Members Alt, Barnhouse, Dickson, Henrich, Hill, Kirchner, Mende, and Toney); Noes, 0.

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One East Main Street, Suite 401, Madison, WI 53703-3382 (608) 266-1304 | Email: legislative.council@legis.wisconsin.gov http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov/lc 7. The Legislature should direct the Executive Branch to promulgate administrative rules to establish clear, consistent guiding principles for state-level AI governance and to provide the Legislature with oversight regarding the state's procurement, development, and use of AI passed on a vote of Ayes, 10 (Sen. Bradley; Rep. Armstrong; and Public Members Alt, Barnhouse, Dickson, Henrich, Hill, Kirchner, Mende, and Toney); and Noes, 2 (Sen. Carpenter; and Rep. C. Anderson).

You will be notified when the Joint Legislative Council schedules a meeting to receive the report of your committee.

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