

SB53 • California

Artificial intelligence models: large developers.

Passed Both Chambers

Risk: Medium

Comprehensive

Last Action (Sep 29, 2025): Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 138, Statutes of 2025.

Summary

SB53 adds sections to the Business and Professions Code, Government Code, and Labor Code, aiming to regulate AI model developers by establishing compliance standards.

Business Impact

If you develop large AI models, check new obligations under SB53 by 2025 or face compliance issues.

Key Provisions

- Addition of Chapter 25.1 to Division 8 of the Business and Professions Code (Section 22757.10) to establish compliance standards
- Addition of Section 11546.8 to the Government Code to ensure responsible AI deployment
- Addition of Chapter 5.1 to Part 3 of Division 2 of the Labor Code (Section 1107) to regulate AI in the workplace

Compliance Checklist

- Publish a frontier AI framework on the developer's website | Who: Large frontier developers | Penalty: Civil penalties enforced by the Attorney General
- Transmit risk assessment summaries to the Office of Emergency Services | Who: Large frontier developers | Penalty: Civil penalties for non-compliance

Industries Affected

Technology

Technology
Development

Government

Artificial
Intelligence

Employment

Topics

AI in Government

Comprehensive AI

Bill Sponsors

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Dunn		Author
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Roll Call Votes

Date	Description	Yea	Nay	Result
2025-09-13	Unfinished Business SB53 Wiener et al. Concurrence	29	8	Passed
2025-09-13	SB 53 Wiener Senate Third Reading By BAUER-KAHAN	59	7	Passed
2025-09-11	Do pass.	12	1	Passed
2025-08-29	Do pass as amended.	11	1	Passed
2025-07-16	Do pass as amended and be re-referred to the Commi	10	0	Passed
2025-07-01	Do pass and be re-referred to the Committee on [Pr	12	0	Passed
2025-05-28	3rd Reading	37	0	Passed
2025-05-23	Do pass as amended	6	0	Passed

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