

HB 2225 • Washington

Concerning regulation of artificial intelligence companion chatbots.

Enacted

Risk: High

Narrow/Targeted

Effective: Jan 01, 2027 | Last Action (Mar 24, 2026): Effective date 1/1/2027.

Summary

WA HB 2225: Regulates AI companion chatbots. Verification needed for AI interaction disclosure and user consent provisions.

Business Impact

If you operate AI companion chatbots in Washington, you must comply with new regulations by the effective date or face penalties.

Key Provisions

- Verification needed for mandatory disclosure of AI interaction to users.

Compliance Checklist

- Ensure AI companion chatbots meet regulatory standards | Who: Developers and providers of chatbots | Penalty: Fines or restrictions on use
- Implement user data protection measures | Who: Companies deploying chatbots | Penalty: Fines or legal action

Industries Affected

General

Topics

AI in Social Media & Online Platforms

User-Facing AI

Bill Sponsors

Name	Party	Role
Walsh		Primary
Van Werven		Cosponsor
Young		Cosponsor
Chapman		Cosponsor
Doglio		Cosponsor
Macri		Cosponsor
Pellicciotti		Cosponsor
Peterson		Cosponsor
Pollet		Cosponsor
Reeves		Cosponsor
Appleton		Cosponsor
Ryu		Cosponsor

Roll Call Votes

Date	Description	Yea	Nay	Result
2026-03-11	Final Passage as Amended by the Senate (#30)	74	21	Passed
2026-03-06	3rd Reading & Final Passage as Amended by the Sena	43	5	Passed
2026-02-17	3rd Reading & Final Passage (#6)	69	28	Passed

Related Bills

- SB 5984 (WA)
- HB2225 (WA)

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