

SB739 • Maryland

Algorithmic Addiction Fund - Establishment

Introduced

Risk: Medium

Comprehensive

Effective: Jun 01, 2024 | Last Action (Jan 31, 2024): Hearing 2/20 at 1:00 p.m.

Summary

The bill establishes the Algorithmic Addiction Fund to address algorithm addiction treatment and prevention, funded by settlements with tech companies.

Business Impact

If you operate a tech or social media company in Maryland, you must prepare for potential financial liabilities related to algorithm addiction claims by June 1, 2024.

Key Provisions

- Establishes the Algorithmic Addiction Fund.
- Includes revenue from judgments or settlements against tech companies.
- Requires the Secretary of Health to develop treatment and prevention goals.
- Mandates the establishment of a grant program for algorithm addiction.
- Effective date set for June 1, 2024.

Compliance Checklist

- Prepare for potential financial liabilities related to algorithm addiction claims. | Who: Technology and social media companies operating in Maryland. | Penalty: Financial liabilities from claims or settlements.
- Develop strategies for algorithm addiction treatment and prevention. | Who: Secretary of Health.

Industries Affected

Education

Technology

Social Media

Healthcare

Topics

AI Healthcare

AI in Social Media & Online Platforms

Bill Sponsors

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Benson		Cosponsor
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Related Bills

- HB1119 (MD)
- SB602 (MD)
- HB715 (MD)

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