

# A5848 • New Jersey

Modifies child endangerment statute to include AI technology; establishes criminal penalties.

In Committee

Risk: High

Amendment

Last Action (Oct 20, 2025): Received in the Senate, Referred to Senate Law and Public Safety Committee

## Summary

The bill amends New Jersey's child endangerment statute to include AI technology, establishing penalties for misuse involving minors, pending verification of specifics.

## Business Impact

If you develop AI chatbots, ensure they prevent sexual conduct with minors or face legal penalties immediately.

## Key Provisions

- Amends N.J.S.2C:24-4 to include AI technology in child endangerment laws.
- Establishes penalties for misuse of AI in sexual conduct with minors, pending verification.
- Confirms any exceptions for AI designed to prevent sexual conduct with children upon full text availability.

## Compliance Checklist

- Ensure AI tech refrains from simulating sexual conduct with minors. | Who: Developers and operators of AI tech | Penalty: Criminal charges of the fourth degree

## Industries Affected

Technology

Artificial Intelligence

AI Development

## Bill Sponsors

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## Roll Call Votes

Date	Description	Yea	Nay	Result
2025-06-30	Assembly Floor: Third Reading - Final Passage	80	0	Passed
2025-06-19	Assembly Public Safety and Preparedness Committee	8	0	Passed

## Related Bills

- A2767 (NJ)

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