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A bill for an act relating to provider requirements concerning the mental health of users of an artificial intelligence chatbot, and providing civil penalties.

Introduced

Risk: High

Comprehensive

Last Action (Feb 24, 2026): Subcommittee: McClintock, Bennett, and Sires. S.J. 393.

Summary

The bill mandates that AI chatbots cannot provide mental health advice and must ensure users are aware of their non-human nature.

Business Impact

If you operate an AI chatbot in Iowa, you must ensure it does not provide mental health advice or face penalties for violations.

Key Provisions

- Providers cannot allow chatbots to offer or simulate professional mental health advice.
- Clear disclosures must inform users that the chatbot is not a human and not a substitute for professional care.

Compliance Checklist

- Ensure chatbot does not provide mental health advice | Who: Providers of AI chatbots | Penalty: Up to \$40,000 per violation
- Implement protocols for detecting self-harm and emotional distress | Who: Providers of AI chatbots | Penalty: Up to \$40,000 per violation
- Provide clear disclosures to users about the chatbot's nature | Who: Providers of AI chatbots | Penalty: Up to \$40,000 per violation

Industries Affected

Mental Health Services

Technology

Healthcare

Topics

AI Healthcare

Comprehensive AI

User-Facing AI

Bill Sponsors

Name	Party	Role
Liz Bennett	D	Sponsor

Official Source

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