

A 9317 • New York

Regulates companion chatbots

Introduced

Risk: Medium

Narrow/Targeted

Last Action (Jan 07, 2026): referred to science and technology

Summary

This bill mandates warnings for companion chatbots about potential psychological risks and dependency.

Business Impact

If you operate a companion chatbot in New York, you must display a warning about psychological risks immediately or face penalties.

Key Provisions

- Defines 'companion chatbot' and its purpose.
- Requires a clear warning about dependency and psychological risks.
- Mandates the warning be available in all languages used by the chatbot.

Compliance Checklist

- Display a warning about psychological risks and dependency | Who: Operators of companion chatbots | Penalty: Not specified in the bill

Industries Affected

Technology

AI Services

Customer Service

AI/Chatbot Development

Topics

AI in Social Media & Online Platforms

User-Facing AI

Bill Sponsors

Name	Party	Role
Linda Rosenthal	D	Sponsor

Official Source

<https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/A9317>

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