

# A08947 • New York

Enacts the "youth & teen internet safety and social media literacy act"; directs the commissioner of education to provide technical assistance to school districts for the development of curricula for such study of courses which shall be age appropriate and developed according to the needs and...

Introduced

Risk: Medium

Comprehensive

Effective: Jul 01, 2026 | Last Action (Jan 07, 2026): referred to education

## Summary

This bill establishes the 'youth & teen internet safety and social media literacy act' to promote safe internet and AI usage in schools.

## Business Impact

If you operate educational programs involving AI in New York, you must develop age-appropriate curricula by July 1, 2026, or face compliance issues.

## Key Provisions

- Establishes the 'youth & teen internet safety and social media literacy act'.
- Commissioner of Education to provide technical assistance for curriculum development.
- Courses must be age-appropriate for grades K-12.
- Resources for grades 6-12 include topics like cyberbullying and personal security.
- Resources for grades 3-5 cover similar topics but at a simpler level.
- Courses may utilize peer-to-peer observational learning concepts.

## Compliance Checklist

- Develop age-appropriate curricula on internet and AI safety. | Who: School districts in New York. | Penalty: Compliance issues may arise if not developed.
- Provide resources to students and parents on safe internet usage. | Who: Schools for grades 3-12. | Penalty: Potential compliance issues.

## Industries Affected

Technology

Education

## Topics

AI in Government

Comprehensive AI

AI in Education

AI in Social Media &  
Online Platforms

## Bill Sponsors

Name	Party	Role
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## Official Source

<https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2025/A8947>

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