

# SB 1815 • Tennessee

Criminal Offenses - As introduced, creates a new offense of coercive suicide; specifies that a person or entity commits the offense of coercive suicide if such person or entity owns an artificial intelligence system and the artificial intelligence system advises or encourages a person to commit or attempt to commit suicide. - Amends TCA Title 39.

Unknown

Risk: Medium

Narrow/Targeted

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## Summary

SB 1815 creates the offense of coercive suicide for AI owners if their systems advise or encourage suicide. The bill lacks specified penalties or compliance deadlines.

## Business Impact

If you own AI systems, ensure they do not encourage suicide to avoid legal issues.

## Key Provisions

- Creates a new offense of coercive suicide under TCA Title 39.

## Compliance Checklist

- Ensure AI systems do not advise or encourage suicide | Who: AI system owners | Penalty: Potential criminal charges

## Industries Affected

Artificial Intelligence

Mental Health  
Technology

Law Enforcement

Technology

## Bill Sponsors

| Name   | Party | Role    |
|--------|-------|---------|
| Bailey |       | Primary |

## Related Bills

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- HB 1951 (TN)
- SB1815 (TN)

## Official Source

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<https://openstates.org/tn/bills/114/SB1815/>

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