

**House Study Bill 635 - Introduced**

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON  
ECONOMIC GROWTH AND  
TECHNOLOGY BILL BY  
CHAIRPERSON SORENSEN)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the ownership of artificial intelligence  
2 output and trained artificial intelligence.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. **554J.1 Definitions.**

2 For purposes of this chapter:

3 1. "*Artificial intelligence*" means a machine-based system  
4 that, for any explicit or implicit objective, infers from the  
5 input the system receives to generate output that can influence  
6 physical or virtual environments.

7 2. "*Input*" means data, directives, or instructions that a  
8 user provides to guide the creation of new output.

9 3. "*Output*" means new content that an artificial intelligence  
10 generates based on a user's input in relation to the data  
11 used to train the artificial intelligence. "*Output*" includes  
12 but is not limited to audio-visual media, images, predictions,  
13 recommendations, and text.

14 4. "*Train*" means to expose an artificial intelligence to data  
15 for the purpose of making the artificial intelligence recognize  
16 patterns, relationships, and structures between data so the  
17 artificial intelligence can employ knowledge of those patterns,  
18 relationships, and structures to create new output.

19 5. "*User*" means a person that uses artificial intelligence  
20 for the purpose of generating output. "*User*" does not include a  
21 person giving data to an artificial intelligence for the purpose  
22 of training the artificial intelligence.

23 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. **554J.2 Ownership of output —**  
24 **ownership of trained artificial intelligence.**

25 1. Subject to subsection 3, a user who provides input to an  
26 artificial intelligence shall be the owner of the output the  
27 artificial intelligence generates that was based on the user's  
28 input, provided that the output does not infringe on a third  
29 party's existing copyrights or intellectual property rights.

30 2. Subject to subsection 3, a person that trains an  
31 artificial intelligence shall be the owner of artificial  
32 intelligence that results from the training if all of the  
33 following apply:

34 a. The training data was lawfully acquired and used for  
35 training purposes.



1 If a person uses AI as a part of the person's employment  
2 duties, the bill makes the resulting output or trained AI the  
3 property of the person's employer if certain conditions detailed  
4 in the bill are met.

5 The bill shall not be construed to grant ownership of property  
6 if such a grant of ownership would infringe on a preexisting  
7 copyright or other intellectual property right.

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