



Governor Ned Lamont

Fact Sheet: 2025 Legislative Proposal

SENATE BILL 1249

AN ACT ADDRESSING INNOVATIONS IN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

The Current Situation

The rapidly developing technology of artificial intelligence is poised to revolutionize the global economy by enhancing productivity, fostering innovation, and driving efficiency across nearly all industries. Connecticut must position its economy to take advantage of artificial intelligence's many breakthrough opportunities, while ensuring that this powerful technology is also used responsibly and in full compliance with the state's strong and longstanding nondiscrimination and consumer protection laws.

Governor Lamont's Solution

Establish a new venture fund at Connecticut Innovations (CI) dedicated to investment in AI-driven startups, as well as ventures in the groundbreaking fields of quantum computing and quantum materials. CI's proven track record of investment and job creation will fuel new growth made possible by these rapidly developing technologies.

Expand the state's Open Data Portal by directing agencies to release AI-ready datasets that could be useful for artificial intelligence systems, machine learning and other statistical means of data analysis to create economic opportunity and support state economic development goals. All existing data disclosure laws and regulations will continue to apply.

Direct multiple executive branch agencies to collaborate and develop a proposal for an AI regulatory sandbox – to make Connecticut the most



attractive state in the region for AI development in targeted industries: insurance, finance, and health services.

Bolster the state's robust consumer protection law – Connecticut Unfair Trade Practices Act (CUTPA) – and make it clear that the use of AI is not a defense or omission to a claim of discrimination.