



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 23-26

ESTABLISHING A STATE GOVERNMENT ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, artificial intelligence is a term coined in 1956; and

WHEREAS, generative artificial intelligence has the potential to bring significant benefits and also raise questions and concerns regarding ethics, privacy, notification, security, employment, education, and social change; and

WHEREAS, ensuring the safe and beneficial use of artificial intelligence has never been more crucial; and

WHEREAS, the potential for artificial intelligence to replicate, codify, and systematize discrimination and related impacts is extensive enough to have created a partner industry of activists, advocacy groups, and organizations devoted to shaping artificial intelligence policies to prevent further harm; and

WHEREAS, Oregon's State Data Strategy explicitly centers equity and ethics at the forefront of Oregon's use of data and artificial intelligence systems; and

WHEREAS, the federal government released a Blueprint for Artificial Intelligence Bill of Rights further centering the need for ethical and equitable principles, practices, and guidelines for government artificial intelligence adoption in order to protect individuals from harm; and

WHEREAS, the exponential growth of artificial intelligence technologies should be documented, and the potential risks of their use should be acknowledged, planned for, and mitigated; and

WHEREAS, maximizing potential benefits of ethical and effective artificial intelligence implementation and adoption requires thoughtful governance and standards to mitigate risk and address privacy, ethics, and equity; and

WHEREAS, a stable and thoughtful regulatory approach to the use of artificial intelligence technologies in Oregon will continue to foster an environment for innovation while protecting individual and civil rights;



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NOW, THEREFORE, I, TINA KOTEK, Governor of the State of Oregon, by virtue of the power and authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the State of Oregon, do hereby issue this order to become effectively immediately:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The Governor's Oregon State Government Artificial Intelligence Advisory Council (the "Council") is established. The Council shall recommend an action plan to guide awareness, education, and usage of artificial intelligence in state government that aligns with the State's policies, goals, and values and supports public servants to deliver customer service more efficiently and effectively. The recommended action plan shall include concrete executive actions, policies, and investments needed to leverage artificial intelligence while honoring transparency, privacy, and diversity, equity, and inclusion.
2. The Council shall consist of no more than fifteen (15) members. All members of the Council must have a commitment to data ethics and data equity. The members shall be selected as follows:
 - a. The President of the Senate shall appoint one member of the Oregon State Senate;
 - b. The Speaker of the House shall appoint one member of the Oregon House of Representatives;
 - c. Oregon State Chief Information Officer;
 - d. Oregon State Chief Data Officer;
 - e. Representative from the Governor's Racial Justice Council, appointed by the Governor;
 - f. Department of Administrative Services Cultural Change Officer;
 - g. Executive Branch agency representative, appointed by the Governor;
 - h. The Governor shall appoint up to eight additional members. These members, at the discretion of the Governor, may include community organizations with demonstrated expertise in data justice; artificial intelligence experts from Oregon universities; and representatives from local governments.



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3. The Governor shall designate the Oregon State Chief Information Officer as Chair of the Council.
4. A quorum for the Council meetings shall consist of a majority of the appointed members. The Council shall strive to operate by consensus; however, the Council may approve measures and recommendations based on an affirmative vote of a majority of the quorum.
5. The Council shall provide a recommended plan framework to the Governor's Office no later than six months from date of convening, and a final recommended action plan no later than 12 months from convening. The report shall include the findings and recommendations of the Council.
6. The Council shall be staffed by Enterprise Information Services. In addition, all state offices and agencies shall provide necessary support to the Council.
7. The Council shall make specific recommendations for policy changes and investments for consideration by the Governor, in order that:
 - a. Awareness of artificial intelligence (AI) is promoted to support state employees with information needed for their decision making; and
 - b. The State has clear usage policies that outline the acceptable use of AI tools, providing transparency, uplifting diversity, equity, and inclusion, and protecting personally identifiable information and other sensitive information.

Done at Salem, Oregon, this 28th day of November, 2023.

Handwritten signature of Tina Kotek in black ink.

Tina Kotek
GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Handwritten signature of LaVonne Griffin-Valade in blue ink.

LaVonne Griffin-Valade
SECRETARY OF STATE

