

The FUTURE of AI Act

(Fundamentally Understanding the Usability and Realistic Evolution of Artificial Intelligence)

Section-By-Section

Sec. 1. Short Title

The bill is titled Fundamentally Understanding the Usability and Realistic Evolution of Artificial Intelligence Act of 2017, or the “FUTURE of Artificial Intelligence Act”

Sec. 2. Sense of Congress

This section sets forth the Sense of Congress that provides context for the bill. The Sense of Congress asserts that it is critical that the United States understand and plan for four major policy issues presented by artificial intelligence’s (AI’s) continued development.

These areas include promoting a climate of investment and innovation that ensures the US’s global competitiveness, the potential growth, constriction, or other changes on the US workforce, supporting the unbiased development of AI, and protecting the privacy rights of individuals.

Sec. 3. Definitions

This section sets forth definitions of artificial intelligence, narrow artificial intelligence and artificial general intelligence.

Sec. 4. Establishment of Federal Advisory Committee on the Development and Implementation of Artificial Intelligence

This section creates federal advisory committee (FAC) to study certain aspects of AI and sets forth the purpose, membership and operation of the FAC.

- **Establishment**--The Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) shall establish a federal advisory committee to discuss the Development and Implementation of artificial intelligence and to advise the Secretary on matters relating to the development of artificial intelligence.
- **Purpose**--This committee shall advise the Secretary on artificial intelligence as it refers to workforce, education, accountability to international regulations, legal rights, societal psychology, international competitiveness, and development.
- **Report**—Within 18 months of its establishment, the FAC shall submit a report to Congress and the Secretary of Commerce on its findings and recommendations. Then, within 90 days, the Secretary shall submit their own report on their analysis and findings stemmed from the FAC report.
- **Membership**--The Secretary shall appoint 19 voting members to the FAC. The appointees must represent a broad cross section of AI stakeholders including business, academics, technologists, civil liberties groups and labor organizations. The FAC membership must represent regional diversity. The FAC shall also have nonvoting members representing an array of federal agencies and other members at the Secretary’s discretion
- **Meetings** –FAC shall meet no fewer than six times a year remotely and at least twice in person.
- **Powers**--The FAC has the power to convene hearings and conferences, submit recommendations to congress and federal agencies, issue reports and guidelines, enter into cooperative agreements with third-party experts, and establish its own rules and subcommittees.
- **Travel Expenses**--FAC members are permitted travel expenses and a per diem at rates authorized for employees of federal agencies.
- **Funding**--The expenses of the FAC shall be derived from appropriations made available to the Secretary of Commerce. The FAC may also solicit and accept donations from private persons and non-Federal entities totaling as much as half of its annual expenses.