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SENATE BILL

No. 893

Introduced by Senator Padilla (Coauthors: Senators Dodd and Rubio)

January 3, 2024

An act to add Chapter 5.1 (commencing with Section 11530) to Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, relating to artificial intelligence.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 893, as amended, Padilla. California Artificial Intelligence Research Hub.

Existing law requires the Secretary of Government Operations to develop a coordinated plan to, among other things, investigate the feasibility of, and obstacles to, developing standards and technologies for state departments to determine digital content provenance. For the purpose of informing that coordinated plan, existing law requires the secretary to evaluate, among other things, the impact of the proliferation of deepfakes, defined to mean audio or visual content that has been generated or manipulated by artificial intelligence that would falsely appear to be authentic or truthful and that features depictions of people appearing to say or do things they did not say or do without their consent, on state government, California-based businesses, and residents of the state.

This bill would require the Government Operations Agency, the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, the

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California Privacy Protection Agency, and the Department of Technology to collaborate to establish the California Artificial Intelligence Research Hub (hub) in the Government Operations Agency, as prescribed. The bill would require the hub to serve as a centralized entity to facilitate collaboration between government agencies, academic institutions, and private sector partners to advance artificial intelligence research and development that seeks to harness the technology's full potential for public benefit while safeguarding privacy, advancing security, and addressing risks and potential harms to society, as prescribed.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. This act shall be known as the California Artificial Intelligence Research Hub Act.

SEC. 2. Chapter 5.1 (commencing with Section 11530) is added to Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, to read:

Chapter 5.1. California Artificial Intelligence Research Hub

- 11530. (a) As used in this section, "the hub" means the California Artificial Intelligence Research Hub.
- (b) (1) The Government Operations Agency, the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, the California Privacy Protection Agency, and the Department of Technology shall collaborate to establish the California Artificial Intelligence Research Hub in the Government Operations Agency.
- (2) The Government Operations Agency may collaborate with additional state agencies to establish the hub, as needed.
- (c) The hub shall serve as a centralized entity to facilitate collaboration between government agencies, academic institutions, and private sector partners to advance artificial intelligence research and development that seeks to harness the technology's full potential for public benefit while safeguarding privacy, advancing security, and addressing risks and potential harms to society.
- (d) The Government Operations Agency, the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, the California Privacy

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Protection Agency, and the Department of Technology shall consult with academic institutions within the state in establishing the hub.

(e) The hub shall do all of the following:

- (1) (A) (i) Increase lawful access to government data while protecting privacy and safeguarding access to data by developing a streamlined process for researchers *at academic institutions* to access data collected by state agencies.
- (ii) Lawful access to government data increased pursuant to clause (i) shall not include access to trade secrets, as defined in Section 3426.1 of the Civil Code, obtained by the state. either of the following:
- (I) Access to trade secrets, as defined in Section 3426.1 of the Civil Code, obtained by the state.
- (II) Access to personal information, as defined in Section 1798.3 of the Civil Code, obtained by the state.
- (B) In complying with subparagraph (A), the hub shall create a process for eligibility that prioritizes security by limiting who can access the data and for what purpose.
- (C) Any government data made available pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall first be reviewed and approved for release by the California Privacy Protection Agency.
- (2) Support the access to, and development of, artificial intelligence computing capacity and technology by building out public computing infrastructure, facilitating access to existing commercial computing infrastructure, or finding ways to reduce costs and other economic barriers research institutions may face in accessing computing infrastructure.
- (3) Spur innovation in artificial intelligence applications for the benefit of the public.
- (4) Ensure the development of trustworthy artificial intelligence technologies with a focus on transparency, fairness, and accountability.
- (5) Provide researchers with increased access to data and computing resources, education, and training opportunities in furtherance of applications of artificial intelligence for benefit to the people of California.