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Alliance Praises New Legislation Establishing Guardrails to Protect Older Americans Who Use AI Chatbots

Alliance Executive Director Richard Fiesta released the following statement regarding the Senior Chatbot Protection Act, introduced today in the U.S. Senate.

“As AI-powered chatbots and voice assistants become more common in the lives of older adults, the corporations developing these products must be held to clear standards for transparency, accountability, privacy, and consumer protection.

“We applaud Senator Kelly's leadership in advancing legislation that recognizes the unique risks AI chatbots can pose for older Americans because it puts meaningful protections in place.

“Older adults should always know when they are interacting with AI, and these tools should never replace qualified professionals or trusted family members when decisions involve health, finances, legal matters, or personal safety. The Senior Chatbot Protection Act would establish important guardrails to help protect older adults' privacy and data, reduce the risk of manipulation and fraud, and ensure AI is used to support—not substitute for—human judgment.”

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