

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. KENNEDY introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred
to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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mechanisms in all artificial intelligence systems.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “AI Emergency Button
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. SHUTDOWN-CAPABILITY FOR ARTIFICIAL INTEL-**
7 **LIGENCE SYSTEMS.**

8 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

9 (1) ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.—The term “ar-
10 tificial intelligence” has the meaning given such

1 term in section 5002 of the National Artificial Intel-
2 ligence Initiative Act of 2020 (15 U.S.C. 9401).

3 (2) COVERED ENTITY.—The term “covered en-
4 tity” means any entity that develops or operates an
5 advanced artificial intelligence system in the United
6 States.

7 (b) REQUIREMENT.—Each covered entity shall en-
8 sure that the advanced artificial intelligence system devel-
9 oped or operated by the covered entity includes a technical
10 capability for a human operator to shut down the system.

11 (c) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 90 days after the
12 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Homeland
13 Security, in consultation with the heads of relevant Fed-
14 eral agencies with jurisdiction over artificial intelligence
15 systems, shall promulgate regulations to ensure compli-
16 ance with the requirement under subsection (b).