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Senate Joint Resolution No. 6

CHAPTER 112

Relative to artificial intelligence.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SJR 6, Chang. Artificial intelligence.

This measure would urge the President and the Congress of the United States to develop a comprehensive Artificial Intelligence Advisory Committee and to adopt a comprehensive artificial intelligence policy.

Fiscal Committee: no

WHEREAS, Today, only 15 percent of enterprises use artificial intelligence but 31 percent said artificial intelligence is on the agenda for adoption within the next 12 months; and

WHEREAS, Seventy-seven percent of consumers use an artificial intelligence-powered service or device; and

WHEREAS, One-half of the leading 10 artificial intelligence startups are companies located in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Artificial intelligence is expected to have a dramatic impact on the United States workforce; and

WHEREAS, A study conducted by the Pew Research Center of over 1,800 experts found that nearly one-half of the experts envision "a future in which robots and digital agents [will] have displaced significant numbers of both blue- and white-collar workers"; and

WHEREAS, The federal government has a role in protecting the nation's workforce by planning for the future changes that will be brought on by emerging artificial intelligence technologies; and

WHEREAS, Over one dozen countries, including Canada, China, France, and the United Kingdom, are already developing artificial intelligence implementation strategies; and

WHEREAS, Artificial intelligence has the potential to revolutionize the economy; and

WHEREAS, Standards should be established to inform the ethical principles used to develop and employ artificial intelligence;

WHEREAS, The United States should be promoting innovation to help American companies grow; and

WHEREAS, California has attracted 41 percent of all global artificial intelligence investment in the last five years; and

WHEREAS, There is a growing gap between technological change and regulatory response; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and the Assembly of the State of California, jointly, That the Legislature urges the President and the Congress of the United States to develop a comprehensive Artificial Intelligence Advisory Committee and to adopt a comprehensive artificial intelligence policy; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to the Majority Leader of the Senate, to each Senator and Representative from California in the Congress of the United States, and to the author for appropriate distribution.