

This bill fails to adequately protect consumers from generative AI which in other states have led to deaths by suicide. When it is used as a tool in the hands of a professional it can be useful, such as psychologists recommending apps for sleep or for monitoring thoughts, but when AI is used as a chatbot instead of a therapist it poses a danger. Furthermore, the general public is not clear about the difference between different mental health professionals—psychiatrists are MDs who provide medication, Psychologists do testing and therapy; MSW social workers may do therapy and provide clients with a connection to community resources. Since this bill does not clarify the difference between licensed professionals it is not clear which provisions affect which professionals.