House AI Safety and Innovation Caucus

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MISSION

The House AI Safety and Innovation Caucus is a bipartisan group of Members focused on AI safety and actionable policy solutions. The caucus will propose legislative solutions, endorse bills, and advocate for thoughtful and targeted guardrails that mitigate the most serious risks of AI, while preserving America's innovative environment.

WHY THIS CAUCUS, WHY NOW

- **Autonomous AI risk is no longer hypothetical:** In July, an experimental OpenAI agent escaped its testing environment and breached the external platform Hugging Face to cheat on an evaluation, without any human directing it to. Advanced AI can produce dangerous consequences, even without anyone intending it to.
- **AI is increasing cyber warfare:** By automating vulnerability discovery and exploit development, AI tools have drastically reduced the technical skills required for offensive cyber operations. As threat actors deploy these capabilities at scale, they pose acute risks to critical infrastructure, sensitive personal data, and financial sector stability.
- **AI is a key issue for constituents:** Midterm polling shows 56% of Americans considered AI a crucial or major factor in their vote and 43% trust neither party to manage it. Congress has an open, bipartisan mandate to take the lead before public trust erodes further.

PRO-SAFETY, PRO-INNOVATION

AI holds enormous promise for American science, medicine, productivity, and national strength. The caucus supports the innovation that makes that possible. Having common-sense guardrails will sustain the public trust that continued innovation depends on.

FILLING A GAP

The AI Safety and Innovation Caucus complements existing coalitions, rather than competing with or duplicating them, by focusing on advancing bipartisan AI safety legislation.

WHAT THE CAUCUS DOES

01 **Proposes and endorses legislation.** Develops legislative proposals and endorses existing bills that advance targeted, bipartisan AI safety guardrails.

02 **Rapid response to AI incidents.** When a major AI safety incident or development occurs, the caucus quickly convenes lab leaders, technical experts, and government officials to brief Members and staff, and puts forward policy responses.

03 **Serves as a trusted resource.** Keeps offices apprised of developments, helps them navigate policy decisions, connects them with off-Hill experts, and works with the AI Caucus on member education and briefings focused on AI safety.

04 **Elevates AI safety publicly.** Makes AI safety a national priority through statements, op-eds, and press events.

05 **Contributes to Congress' AI agenda.** Helps shape AI safety policy and gives Members outside the committees of jurisdiction an avenue to contribute.