

SENATE COMMERCE • AUGUST 5TH, 2026

The first federal answer to talking toys is a plan and a study.



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Two agencies owe a plan. One academy owes a study.

Per Senator Duckworth's release, the Federal Trade Commission and the Consumer Product Safety Commission must give Congress what the release calls a "coordinated, actionable plan" on AI-enabled toy products. The National Academies must run a comprehensive study.

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THE RELEASE DESCRIBES NO RULE,
NO BAN AND NO STANDARD

FTC AND CPSC, A PLAN

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NATIONAL ACADEMIES, A STUDY

The due date is not on the record.

The text of S. 5171 returned a 403 on August 15th, so no deadline for the plan or for the study could be read. The committee’s own meeting page carries the agenda and no tally for any of the five bills.

NO TALLY PUBLISHED

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NOT PUBLISHED

Five bills that morning. Three of them AI.

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BILL	SHORT TITLE
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S. 737	SCREEN ACT
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S. 1748	KIDS ONLINE SAFETY ACT
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S. 4199 ●	YOUTH AI PRIVACY ACT
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S. 4407 ●	CHATBOT ACT
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S. 5171 ●	CHILDREN'S AI TOY SAFETY ACT OF 2026
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RESULT ON ALL FIVE ROWS, NO TALLY PUBLISHED

S. 5171 ON THE AGENDA

The committee met at 10:00 a.m. on August 5th in room SR-253, entering through SR-254. Three Coast Guard nomination lists were on the same agenda. Senator Duckworth’s office announced that day that S. 5171 passed.

Knives, pills and matches.

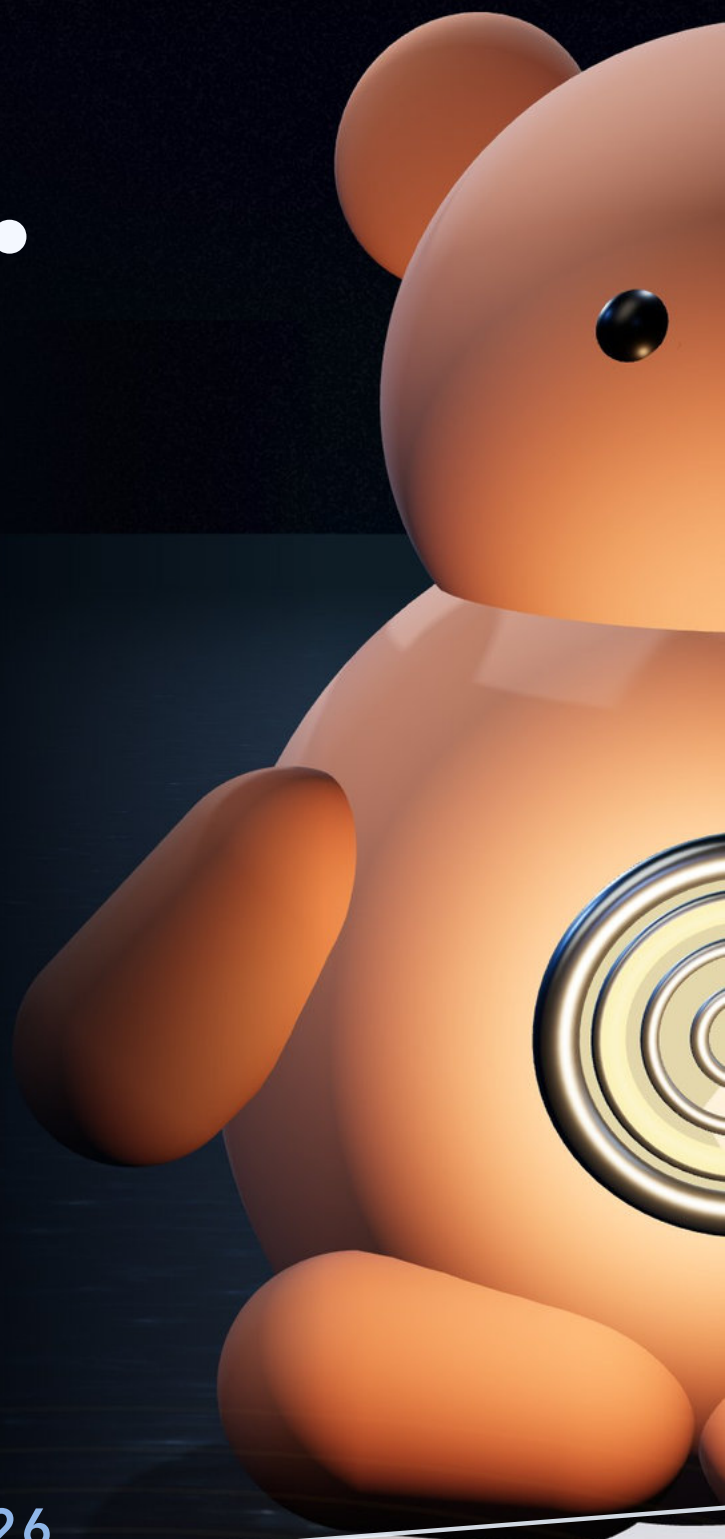
"discussing sexually explicit
content and explaining where to
find knives, pills and matches in the
home"

SEN. DUCKWORTH'S OFFICE, CITING
U.S. PIRG EDUCATION FUND TESTING,
DECEMBER 2025

"These AI chatbots were never meant to
be used by young children, yet they're
being embedded inside toys by the
thousands"

SEN. TAMMY DUCKWORTH, AUGUST 5TH, 2026

THOUSANDS IS THE SENATOR'S WORD AND CARRIES NO
CITED COUNT



The Alaskan on the bill is buying knowledge.

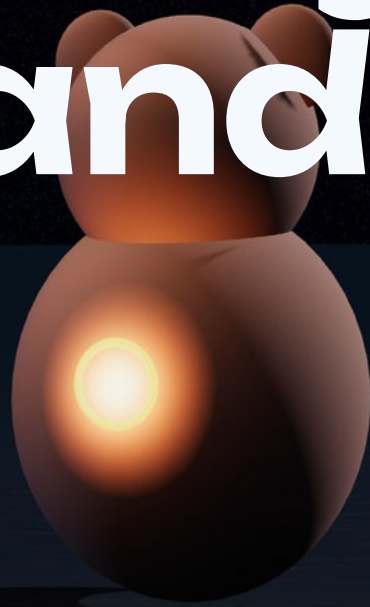
"It is imperative we equip policymakers and America's families with the knowledge they need to make informed choices about these devices"

SEN. LISA MURKOWSKI, ALASKA, AUGUST 5TH, 2026

Murkowski is the Republican cosponsor named in the announcement. Read fairly, the bill buys knowledge and writes no rule, which is the normal opening move for a technology nobody has measured yet. Whether that is enough is the argument.

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**A plan is not a
rule. A study is
not a standard.**



Alaska's own record, as one column tells it.

House Bill 47 provisions criminalizing AI-generated child sexual abuse material and deepfake harassment became law in June.

House Concurrent Resolution 3 would have created an AI task force. That effort stalled.

Roughly 30 states have passed election-related deepfake disclosure laws.

Some states now require companion chatbots to disclose that they aren't human or therapists.

PER ADN OPINION COLUMN, ROGER KAYE, AUGUST 10TH

THIS DECK MAKES NO CLAIM ABOUT WHAT ALASKA LAW
COVERS ON AI TOYS

Five places the record was asked. One answered.

Save this for the next time a talking toy shows up in your house.

SOURCES IN COMMENTS

THE ONE THAT ANSWERED