

SB 1047: What Experts Are Saying

AI developers, researchers, academics and businesses speak out about the consequences SB 1047 would have on the state's economy, along with the future and safety of AI

“Our company trains fine-tunes of state-of-the-art open source models which will likely not be open sourced due to SB 1047’s model liability, directly hurting our competitiveness. We are already considering using Chinese models (which have eclipsed open-source American models already) and will be forced to do so if companies like Meta and Mistral cannot release their models due to SB 1047.” **Jeremy Nixon, CEO, Onmiscience**

SB 1047 will have a profound chilling effect on Californian AI innovation and the open source ecosystem as a whole, primarily to the benefit of incumbents and to the detriment of small startups. Many founders will move if this bill passes. - **Guillaume Verdon, Founder & CEO, Extropic**

“(SB 1047) will drive the innovation to China and India and other areas where these regulations don't exist, choke and stifle California's economy even worse than it is already and drive even more of their productive citizens to other states...” - **Alan Helmick, AI architect and cofounder, Mira AI**

“Legislation needs to address the use of the models (for example not allowing any use related to advertising), not the compute size of models.” - **Philip Rosedale, Founder, Second Life & IRL415**

“I am worried that (SB 1047) will stifle open source development, which is an essential component for small and upcoming ventures like mine.” - **Ayush Kanodia, CTO, Moveup AI**

“SB 1047 would have a chilling effect on AI development, and would significantly impact my business and those I provide for. I urge California lawmakers to consider the negative impact such a bill would have, and note that there is strong opposition to it felt broadly across the entire AI ecosystem. Please reconsider this poorly-conceived bill. To rush ahead with half-baked regulatory efforts now would be to stifle American innovation in Artificial Intelligence, and likely lead to *increased* AI risk in the long run.” - **Nicholas Ptacek, Founder, ReadWriteReality, Inc.**

“I love California and would like to remain here for the foreseeable future but if this passes, I would most likely move to another state. This is a crippling piece of legislation as a startup in this space.” - **Puya Yazdi, CEO, KureAI**

“This bill, as formulated, will certainly mean moving the ML portion of my business out of California.” - **Austin Kinghorn, Founder, Veracity Corporation**

“I am building AI startups out of my dorm room at Stanford, and SB1047 will prevent the next generation of american, iconic dorm room startups from being launched, since low-resourced startups will not be able to use open models to make the world a better place.” - **Ananya Chadha, Student, Stanford University**

“SB 1047, while well-intentioned, threatens to stifle innovation and competition in the AI industry at a critical juncture. By imposing premature regulations, it risks undermining the development of a diverse AI ecosystem that startups depend on to challenge established enterprises.” - **Tristan Zajonc, CEO, Continual**

“The precedent (of SB 1047) will have a chilling and catastrophic effect on open innovation in AI and technology in general.” - **Joseph Jacks, Founder and Manager Partner, OSS Capital LLC**