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Anticipating the Impact of Artificial Intelligence

SALEM, OR – The Oregon Senate has passed legislation to respond to recent advances in artificial intelligence and prepare the state for future legislation and regulation. [House Bill 4153](#) establishes a Task Force on Artificial Intelligence to identify terms and definitions related to artificial intelligence that may be used in laws.

“Technology like artificial intelligence can evolve rapidly, and Oregon needs to be prepared to keep up,” said **Senator Aaron Woods (D - Wilsonville)**, chief sponsor of HB 4153. “HB 4153 is a positive first step to gather the stakeholders and information Oregon will need to respond to A.I. as it makes a bigger and bigger impact on our world.”

While artificial intelligence has been making rapid advances, the implications for states remain unclear and states have not employed uniform responses to the changing landscape. According to the [National Conference of State Legislatures \(NCSL\)](#), foundational details such as terminology are not yet universal among stakeholders or states. States that wish to respond to A.I., whether to limit its use or take advantage of its potential, must first decide to take foundational steps, like identifying terms.

Keeping our government accountable, stable, and transparent is a key pillar of Senate Democrats’ [2024 Uniting Oregon Agenda](#). HB 4153 now heads to the Governor for signature.

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