

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 8747
OFFERED BY MR. OWENS OF UTAH

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the “K–12 AI Literacy and
3 Readiness Act of 2026”.

4 SEC. 2. ALLOWING FUNDS FOR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
5 CURRICULA.

6 (a) STATE ALLOWABLE USES FOR STUDENT IN-
7 STRUCTION.—Section 4104(b)(3)(A)(i) of the Elementary
8 and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
9 7114(b)(3)(A)(i)) is amended—

10 (1) in subclause (VI) by striking “or” at the
11 end;

12 (2) by redesignating subclause (VII) as sub-
13 clause (VIII); and

14 (3) by inserting after subclause (VI) the fol-
15 lowing:

16 “(VII) the use of artificial intel-
17 ligence (as defined in section 5002 of
18 the National Artificial Intelligence Ini-

1 tiative Act of 2020 (15 U.S.C. 9401))
2 in a manner that is safe, effective,
3 and responsible; or”.

4 (b) STATE ALLOWABLE USES FOR TEACHERS AND
5 SCHOOL LEADERS.—Section 4104(b)(3)(C) of the Ele-
6 mentary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
7 7114(b)(3)(C)) is amended—

8 (1) in clause (v), by striking “and” at the end;

9 (2) in clause (vi) by striking the period at the
10 end and inserting “; and”; and

11 (3) by adding at the end the following:

12 “(vii) providing teachers, paraprofes-
13 sionals, school librarians and media per-
14 sonnel, specialized instructional support
15 personnel, and administrators with the
16 knowledge and skills to use, and teach the
17 use of, artificial intelligence (as defined in
18 section 5002 of the National Artificial In-
19 telligence Initiative Act of 2020 (15 U.S.C.
20 9401)) safely, effectively, and responsibly,
21 including through professional develop-
22 ment.”.

23 (c) LOCAL ALLOWABLE USES FOR STUDENT IN-
24 STRUCTION.—Section 4107(a)(3) of the Elementary and

1 Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7117(a)(3))

2 is amended—

3 (1) in subparagraph (I), by striking “or” at the
4 end;

5 (2) by redesignating subparagraph (J) as sub-
6 paragraph (K); and

7 (3) by inserting after subparagraph (I) the fol-
8 lowing:

9 “(J) instruction on the use of artificial in-
10 telligence (as defined in section 5002 of the Na-
11 tional Artificial Intelligence Initiative Act of
12 2020 (15 U.S.C. 9401)) in a manner that is
13 safe, effective, and responsible; or”.

14 (d) LOCAL ALLOWABLE USES FOR TEACHERS AND
15 SCHOOL LEADERS.—Section 4109(a) of the Elementary
16 and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
17 7119(a)) is amended—

18 (1) in paragraph (5), by striking “and” at the
19 end;

20 (2) in paragraph (6), by striking the period at
21 the end and inserting “; and”; and

22 (3) by adding at the end the following:

23 “(7) providing teachers, paraprofessionals,
24 school librarians and media personnel, specialized in-
25 structional support personnel, and administrators

1 with the knowledge and skills to use, and teach the
2 use of, artificial intelligence (as defined in section
3 5002 of the National Artificial Intelligence Initiative
4 Act of 2020 (15 U.S.C. 9401)) safely, effectively,
5 and responsibly, including through professional de-
6 velopment.”.

