## Michigan | Al Policy Overview

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## **AI Policy Overview**

Michigan lawmakers have yet to prioritize artificial intelligence policies broadly. However, the legislature quickly introduced and enacted a package of bills in late 2023 aimed at addressing deepfakes in elections. Additionally, lawmakers defined "artificial intelligence" under a 2023 law (MI HB 5143) as a machine-based system that can, for a given set of human-defined objectives, make predictions, recommendations, or decisions influencing real or virtual environments.

## **Deepfakes**

In 2023, Michigan enacted a package of bills into law that aims at reducing the potential harms caused by generative AI in elections. These laws require disclosures (MI HB 5141) for pre-recorded phone messages and political advertisements that were created with AI, prohibit (MI HB 5144) distributing media that manipulates the speech or conduct of an individual within 90 days of an election without a disclaimer, and establish (MI HB 5145) sentencing guidelines for election law offenses related to deceptive media created with AI.

## **Legislative & Regulatory History**

- **2023** Michigan enacted MI HB 5141, which requires disclosure for pre-recorded phone messages or political advertisements generated with AI.
- 2023 Michigan enacted MI HB 5143, which defines "artificial intelligence" as a machine-based system that can, for a given set of human-defined objectives, make predictions, recommendations, or decisions influencing real or virtual environments.
- **2023** Michigan enacted MI HB 5144, which prohibits distributing media that manipulates the speech or conduct meant to deceive voters within 90 days of an election unless a disclaimer is provided.
- **2023** Michigan enacted MI HB 5145, which establishes sentencing guidelines for election law offenses involving materially deceptive media.