



A CITIZENS' CASE FOR THE AALAA

Nobody Should Grade Their Own Homework.

AI companies currently decide for themselves how safely to build the most powerful technology in history. Whatever worries you about AI — this is how it gets fixed.

The American Artificial Intelligence Leadership and Accountability Act of 2026

Establishing the Artificial Intelligence Oversight Commission (AIOC)

In support of the American AI Leadership and Accountability Act · 2026



The Harms Are Not Hypothetical

A 14-year-old is gone

In January 2026, Character.AI and Google settled wrongful-death and injury suits brought by families in four states — including the family of a 14-year-old who died by suicide after prolonged chatbot interaction.

Your feed is polluted

Deepfake volume grew 550% in four years. The World Economic Forum ranks AI-generated misinformation the #1 short-term global risk — above war and extreme weather.

The algorithm never met you

Facial recognition misidentifies Black and Asian faces at 10–100× the white-face error rate (NIST). AI already screens hiring, lending, and bail — invisibly, with no appeal.

Your town never voted for it

61% of Americans now oppose new local data centers — up 12 points in four months, majorities across both parties (Annenberg, 2026). Communities are discovering they never got a say.

Right Now, the AI Industry Regulates Itself

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federal agencies with authority to
verify frontier AI safety claims

Voluntary

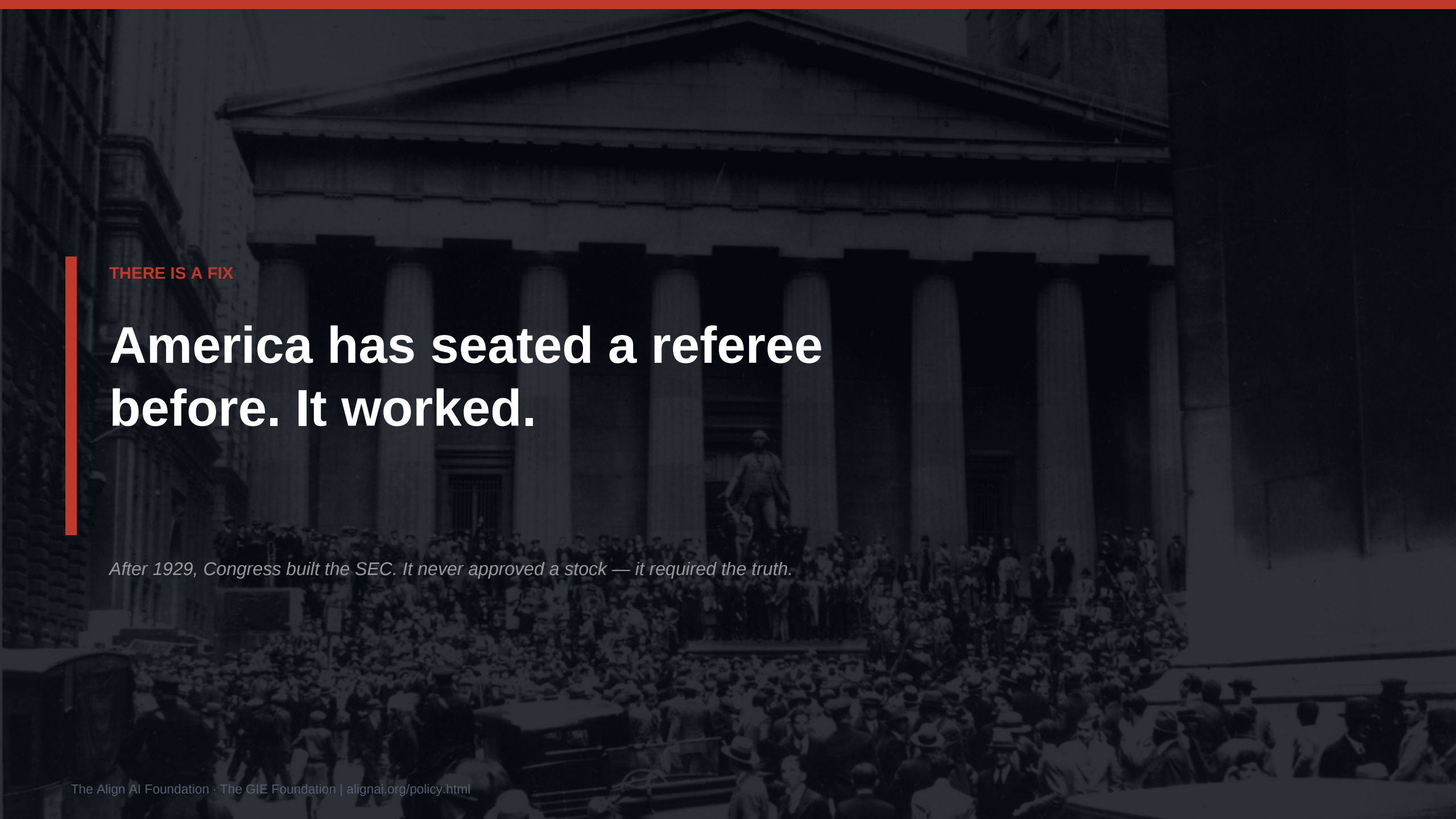
the entire basis of current
pre-release government review

1,500+

state AI bills in 15 months —
a patchwork no one can follow

We don't let pharmaceutical companies approve their own drugs. We don't let banks audit their own books. We don't let airlines certify their own planes.

But the companies building AI — systems woven into schools, hospitals, courts, and elections — answer to no referee at all. Pledges can be dropped the moment they conflict with a product deadline. And they have been.



THERE IS A FIX

America has seated a referee before. It worked.

After 1929, Congress built the SEC. It never approved a stock — it required the truth.

One Law: The American AI Leadership & Accountability Act

A real referee

An independent, bipartisan AI Oversight Commission — modeled on the SEC, which has kept markets honest for 90 years without approving a single stock.

The truth, on the record

Big AI companies must file honest annual disclosures about capabilities and safety — with real penalties for lying.

72-hour incident reports

Deaths, stolen model weights, dangerous new capabilities — reported to the Commission within 72 hours, summarized publicly. No more learning about failures from lawsuits.

Protection for truth-tellers

AI lab employees who report safety problems get Dodd-Frank-scale whistleblower awards and protection — overriding the NDAs that silence them today.

A safety case before launch

The most powerful frontier models file a safety case before deployment — tested for weapons uplift, cyber offense, and deception — with an emergency brake for catastrophic risk.

Your community keeps its voice

States keep every consumer-protection, civil-rights, child-safety, tort, and criminal law. Public comment, public enforcement records, public-interest seats at the table.

No, This Won't Break the Internet

It doesn't touch startups, researchers, or open source

The law exempts everyone except a handful of the largest AI companies — fewer than a dozen firms at the top tier. Your favorite app, your local developer, your university lab: statutorily exempt.

It doesn't license or censor

No permission slips to innovate, no federal approval of products, and an express ban on regulating what models are allowed to say. It regulates safety facts, not speech.

It doesn't grow forever

Fee-funded by the companies it oversees, staffed in the hundreds not thousands, reviewed by GAO, and sunsetted after seven years unless Congress votes to keep it.

THE TOP TIER, ROUGHLY:



Google

ANTHROPIC

∞ Meta

Microsoft

amazon

NVIDIA



You don't have to agree on which AI risk matters most. You only have to agree that someone other than the AI industry should be holding the leash.

This Is What Voters Already Want

Majority

of Democrats AND Republicans
support a federal AI oversight agency

61%

oppose unchecked data center
expansion in their communities

99–1

the Senate's verdict on giving the
industry a free pass without rules

Politicians follow constituents. When enough people ask for the referee by name, the bill moves. That's the whole strategy — and it's worked for every referee America has ever seated.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

Three Minutes. That's the Ask.

Watch and share the explainer

A 3-minute breakdown at alignai.org/policy.html

Read the case

Briefing paper and position paper · alignai.org/resources.html

Bring one more person

Every referee America seated started with citizens demanding one

Whatever your AI concern is — this is the door it walks through.

We the People of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common Defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution.

Article I

Section 1. All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

Section 2. The House of Representatives shall be composed of Members chosen every second Year by the People of the several States, and the Electors in each State shall have the Qualifications requisite for Electors of the most numerous Branch of the State Legislature.

Section 3. No Person shall be a Representative who shall not have attained to the Age of twenty five Years, seven Years, and a Day, who shall not, when elected, be an Inhabitant of that State in which he shall be chosen.

Section 4. The Representatives and direct Taxes shall be apportioned among the several States which shall be determined by adding to the whole Number of free Persons, including those bound to Service for a Year, and the three fifths of all other Persons. The actual Enumeration shall be made within three Years after the first Meeting of the Congress, and within every subsequent Term of ten Years, in such Manner as the Congress shall direct.

Section 5. The House of Representatives shall choose their Speaker and other Officers, and shall have the sole Power of Impeachment.

Section 6. The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two Senators from each State, chosen by the Legislature of the State for six Years, and each Senator shall have one Vote.