

## A Bill to Prohibit the Development and Deployment of Lethal Autonomous Weapons

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1.** The United States Armed Forces and all federal law enforcement agencies are hereby  
3 prohibited from the research, development, procurement, and deployment of Lethal  
4 Autonomous Weapons Systems (LAWS).

5 **SECTION 2.** Lethal Autonomous Weapons Systems (LAWS) shall be defined as any weapon system that,  
6 once activated, can select and engage targets without further intervention by a human  
7 operator. This includes systems that use artificial intelligence (AI) to make independent  
8 "kill" decisions.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Department of War shall be responsible for the enforcement of this legislation.

10 A. Any existing funding or programs currently dedicated to the development of LAWS  
11 shall be immediately reallocated to the development of defensive AI and cybersecurity.

12 B. The Department of War shall submit an annual report to the House Committee on  
13 Armed Services certifying that no offensive autonomous targeting systems are in  
14 development.

15 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will take effect on January 1st, 2027. All laws in conflict with this legislation  
16 are hereby declared null and void.