Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to present law. Act 927 of the Regular Session

1	State of Arkansas As Engrossed: H4/2/25 H4/7/25	
2	95th General Assembly <b>A Bill</b>	
3	Regular Session, 2025 HOUSE BILL 18	376
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5	By: Representative R. Scott Richardson	
6	By: Senator J. Bryant	
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8	For An Act To Be Entitled	
9	AN ACT REGARDING THE OWNERSHIP OF MODEL TRAINING AND	
10	CONTENT GENERATED BY A GENERATIVE ARTIFICIAL	
11	INTELLIGENCE TOOL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.	
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14	Subtitle	
15	REGARDING THE OWNERSHIP OF MODEL	
16	TRAINING AND CONTENT GENERATED BY A	
17	GENERATIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TOOL.	
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19	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:	
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21	SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 18, Chapter 4, Subchapter 1 is amended	1
22	to add an additional section to read as follows:	
23	<u>18-4-101. Generative artificial intelligence tool — Ownership of mode</u>	<u>el</u>
24	training and generated content — Work made for hire — Exceptions.	
25	(a) Except as provided under subsection (b) of this section, when a	
26	person uses a generative artificial intelligence tool to:	
27	(1) Generate content, the person who provides the input or	
28	directive to the generative artificial intelligence tool shall be the owner	
29	of the generated content, provided that the content does not infringe on	
30	existing copyrights or intellectual property rights;	
31	(2) Conduct model training, the person who provides data or	
32	input to train a generative artificial intelligence model shall be the owner	<u>r</u>
33	of the resulting trained model, provided that the:	
34	(A) Training data is lawfully acquired; and	
35	(B) Person has not transferred ownership rights through a	<u>a</u>
36	<u>contract or agreement.</u>	



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1	(b)(1) If an individual is employed by a person or entity and is
2	directed to use a generative artificial intelligence tool to conduct model
3	training or generate content as part of his or her employment duties, the
4	resulting model training data and generated content shall be the property of
5	the individual's employer.
6	(2) Subdivision (b)(1) of this section shall apply only if the
7	use of the generative artificial intelligence tool is:
8	(A) Within the scope of the individual's employment; and
9	(B) Conducted under the direction and control of the
10	<u>employer.</u>
11	(c) This section does not grant ownership over content that infringes
12	on pre-existing copyrights or other intellectual property rights regardless
13	of the use of a generative artificial intelligence tool.
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15	/s/R. Scott Richardson
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