



Kodiak AI Issues Statement on BUILD America 250 Act Bill Supporting Autonomous Trucks

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MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif., May 18, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Kodiak AI, Inc. ("Kodiak"), a leading provider of Physical AI-powered autonomous vehicle technology, issued a statement on the House of Representatives Transportation and Infrastructure Committee's five-year surface transportation reauthorization bill: the [BUILD America 250 Act](#). On Sunday, Committee Chairman Sam Graves and Ranking Member Rick Larsen [announced a deal](#) on the bill that includes bipartisan language. The bipartisan bill would for the first time create a comprehensive federal policy framework to regulate the safe deployment of autonomous trucks, a long-time goal of the autonomous trucking industry.

In response to the bipartisan bill, [Don Burnette](#), Founder and CEO, [Kodiak AI](#), said:

"Kodiak AI applauds Chair Graves and Ranking Member Larsen for the introduction of the historic, bipartisan BUILD America 250 Act. The bill would achieve a significant milestone: the creation of a comprehensive federal regulatory framework for autonomous trucks that would bring further regulatory certainty for the autonomous trucking industry and ensure the United States remains the global leader in autonomous vehicle technology. By replacing today's patchwork of state regulations with a single federal standard, the BUILD America 250 Act would ensure Americans benefit from the safety and economic advantages that autonomous driving technology delivers. The bill would also set strong safety standards, affirming the U.S. Department of Transportation has the tools it needs to oversee the scaled rollout of autonomous trucks, while supporting American innovation and investing in the transportation workforce."

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About Kodiak AI, Inc.

Kodiak AI, Inc. (Nasdaq: KDK) was founded in 2018 and is a leading provider of physical artificial intelligence ("AI") with a focus

on AI-powered autonomous vehicle technology designed to help tackle some of the toughest driving jobs. Kodiak's driverless solution can help address the critical problem of safely transporting goods in the face of unprecedented supply chain challenges. Kodiak's vision is to become the trusted world leader in autonomous ground transportation. Kodiak is committed to a safer and more efficient future for all through the commercialization of driverless trucking at scale. To that end, Kodiak developed the Kodiak Driver, a virtual driver that combines advanced AI-powered software with modular and vehicle-agnostic hardware designed to help address Kodiak's customers' needs. The Kodiak Driver is not just an idea—it is operating without anyone in the cab today. Kodiak serves customers in the long-haul trucking, industrial trucking, and defense industries. In 2024, Kodiak believes it achieved a historic milestone by becoming the first company to deploy customer-owned and -operated driverless trucks in commercial service.

For more information about Kodiak, please visit <https://kodiak.ai/investors>. Kodiak's press kit with videos and images can be found [HERE](#).

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