Taiwan's AI Basic Act — a 20-Article, Penalty-Free Framework Law That Leaves High-Risk Rules to MODA and Sector Regulators by 2028

AI in the Public Sector · Good practice · Taiwan

Quality score: 27/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

Passed 23 Dec 2025 and in force 14 Jan 2026, Taiwan's 20-article AI Basic Act sets seven principles and authorises sandboxes, but has no penalties or individual rights; MODA must still define high-risk AI and sector rules are due by January 2028.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured public value	0/3
Transparency, fairness & accountability	1/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	1/3
Scalability beyond pilot	1/3
Governance, capability & sustainability	1/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

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