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[Ashley Taylor](#), a partner in Troutman Pepper Locke's [Regulatory Investigations, Strategy + Enforcement](#) Practice Group, was quoted in the August 24, 2026, *The Wall Street Journal* article, "[OpenAI Subpoenaed Over Hugging Face Attack](#)."

It is also likely to share OpenAI's responses with other states, while assessing if any of the materials could be used to frame a legal claim, said Ashley Taylor, a partner at Troutman Pepper Locke.

Without federal legislation, state attorneys general are stepping in as de facto AI regulators, piecing together industry governance, Taylor said. Alabama's investigation, he said, "sends a message to the industry that they need to be very careful about containment as they develop their models."

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