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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. SCANLON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**A BILL**

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Pedestrian Protection  
5 Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PEDESTRIAN SAFETY STANDARDS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subchapter II of chapter 301 of  
3 title 49, United States Code, is amended by adding at the  
4 end the following:

5 **“§ Sec. 30130. Pedestrian safety standards.**

6 “(a) GENERAL MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STAND-  
7 ARDS.—

8 “(1) RULEMAKING PROCEEDING.—Not later  
9 than 3 years after the date of enactment of this sec-  
10 tion, the Secretary shall initiate a rulemaking pro-  
11 ceeding to establish or modify, as applicable, safety  
12 standards for motor vehicles to reduce the likelihood  
13 of, and the number of deaths and injuries associated  
14 with, collisions by considering certain features of  
15 motor vehicles designed to protect covered road  
16 users, including—

17 “(A) hood design;

18 “(B) bumper design;

19 “(C) windshield design;

20 “(D) vehicle height; and

21 “(E) vehicle weight.

22 “(2) FINAL RULE.—

23 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years  
24 after the date of initiating such rulemaking pro-  
25 ceeding, the Secretary shall issue a final rule  
26 pursuant to paragraph (1).

1           “(B) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The final rule  
2           described in subparagraph (A) shall require full  
3           compliance with each safety standard for motor  
4           vehicles established or modified, as applicable,  
5           pursuant to the final rule not later than 2 years  
6           after the date on which the final rule is issued.

7           “(b) MOTOR VEHICLE MINIMUM VISIBILITY SAFETY  
8 STANDARDS.—

9           “(1) RULEMAKING PROCEEDING.—Not later  
10          than 4 years after the date of enactment of this sec-  
11          tion, the Secretary shall initiate a rulemaking pro-  
12          ceeding to establish minimum visibility standards for  
13          motor vehicles to reduce the likelihood of collisions.

14          “(2) FINAL RULE.—

15                 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years  
16                 after the date of initiating such rulemaking pro-  
17                 ceeding, the Secretary shall issue a final rule  
18                 pursuant to paragraph (1).

19                 “(B) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The final rule  
20                 described in subparagraph (A) shall require full  
21                 compliance with each minimum visibility stand-  
22                 ard for motor vehicles established pursuant to  
23                 the final rule not later than 2 years after the  
24                 date on which the final rule is issued.

25          “(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1           “(1) COLLISION.—The term ‘collision’ means a  
2 crash between a motor vehicle and a covered road  
3 user, including such a crash—

4                   “(A) that occurs at a low speed; and

5                   “(B) that occurs in a driveway, parking  
6 lot, or private road.

7           “(2) COVERED ROAD USER.—The term ‘covered  
8 road user’ means a pedestrian, bicyclist, or other  
9 vulnerable road user.”.

10       (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections  
11 for subchapter II of chapter 301 of title 49, United States  
12 Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“Sec. 30130. Pedestrian safety standards.”.

13 **SEC. 3. PASSENGER MOTOR VEHICLE INFORMATION.**

14       Section 32302 of title 49, United States Code, is  
15 amended—

16           (1) in subsection (f)—

17                   (A) by redesignating paragraph (3) as  
18 paragraph (4); and

19                   (B) by inserting before paragraph (4), as  
20 so redesignated, the following:

21           “(3) COMPARATIVE RATINGS.—The Secretary  
22 shall publish comparative ratings of the vulnerable  
23 road user safety technology ratings described in  
24 paragraph (2)(A)(iv).”; and

25           (2) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(g) DRIVER VISIBILITY.—

2 “(1) NOTICE.—Not later than 4 years after the  
3 date of enactment of this subsection, the Secretary  
4 shall publish a notice, for purposes of public review  
5 and comment, to establish a means for providing to  
6 consumers information relating to driver visibility of  
7 pedestrians, bicyclists, and other vulnerable road  
8 users, in accordance with subsection (a).

9 “(2) INCLUSIONS.—The notice under paragraph  
10 (1) shall include—

11 “(A) an appropriate methodology for—

12 “(i) determining which technologies  
13 and design features shall be included in  
14 the information;

15 “(ii) developing performance test cri-  
16 teria for use by manufacturers in evalu-  
17 ating technologies and design features;

18 “(iii) determining a distinct rating of  
19 driver visibility; and

20 “(iv) updating overall vehicle ratings  
21 to incorporate driver visibility ratings; and

22 “(B) such other information and analyses  
23 as the Secretary determines to be necessary to  
24 implement the rating of driver visibility.

1           “(3) COMPARATIVE RATINGS.—The Secretary  
2           shall publish comparative ratings of the driver visi-  
3           bility ratings described in paragraph (2)(A)(iv).

4           “(4) REPORT.—Not later than 5 years after the  
5           date of enactment of this subsection, the Secretary  
6           shall submit to the Committee on Commerce,  
7           Science, and Transportation of the Senate and the  
8           Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House  
9           of Representatives a report that describes a plan for  
10          implementing an information and rating system for  
11          driver visibility, in accordance with subsection (a).”.