

114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3536

To direct the Secretary of Transportation to prescribe a motor vehicle safety standard requiring commercial motor vehicles to be equipped with a forward collision avoidance and mitigation braking system, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 17, 2015

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia (for himself, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, and Mr. LEWIS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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 “Safe Roads Act of
5 2015”.

1 **SEC. 2. MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY STANDARD.**

2 Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment
3 of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation shall prescribe
4 a motor vehicle safety standard under section 30111 of
5 title 49, United States Code, that requires a commercial
6 motor vehicle to be equipped with a forward collision
7 avoidance and mitigation braking system.

8 **SEC. 3. MINIMUM SAFETY STANDARDS FOR COMMERCIAL**
9 **MOTOR VEHICLES.**

10 The Secretary of Transportation shall prescribe a
11 regulation under section 31136 of title 49, United States
12 Code, that requires all commercial motor vehicles to be
13 equipped with a forward collision avoidance and mitigation
14 braking system beginning on the date that is 3 years after
15 the date of the enactment of this Act.

16 **SEC. 4. DEFINITIONS.**

17 In this Act:

18 (1) **COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLE.**—The term
19 “commercial motor vehicle” has the meaning given
20 such term in section 31132 of title 49, United
21 States Code.

22 (2) **FORWARD COLLISION AVOIDANCE AND MITI-**
23 **GATION BRAKING SYSTEM.**—The term “forward col-
24 lision avoidance and mitigation braking system”
25 means a system on a motor vehicle that, based on

1 a predefined distance and closing rate with respect
2 to an obstacle in the path of the vehicle—

3 (A) alerts the driver of the obstacle; and

4 (B) if necessary to avoid or mitigate a col-
5 lision with the obstacle, automatically applies
6 the brakes of the vehicle.

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