

114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1467

To require the Secretary of Transportation to establish new standards for automobile hoods and bumpers to reduce pedestrian injuries, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 22, 2015

Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOKER, and Mr. SCHATZ) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

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 Safety Act
5 of 2015”.

6 **SEC. 2. MOTOR VEHICLE PEDESTRIAN PROTECTION.**

7 (a) RULEMAKING.—Not later than 2 years after the
8 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Trans-
9 portation, through the Administrator of the National

1 Highway Traffic Safety Administration, shall issue a final
2 rule that—

3 (1) establishes standards for the hood and
4 bumper areas of motor vehicles, including passenger
5 cars, multipurpose passenger vehicles, trucks, and
6 buses with a gross vehicle weight rating of 4,536
7 kilograms (10,000 pounds) or less, in order to re-
8 duce the number of injuries and fatalities suffered
9 by pedestrians who are struck by such vehicles; and

10 (2) considers the protection of vulnerable pedes-
11 trian populations, including children and older
12 adults.

13 **SEC. 3. PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS.**

14 Section 120(c)(1) of title 23, United States Code, is
15 amended—

16 (1) by inserting “including pedestrian hybrid
17 beacons,” after “traffic control signalization,”; and

18 (2) by inserting “roadway improvements that
19 provide separation between pedestrians and motor
20 vehicles, including pedestrian sidewalks and crossing
21 islands,” after “safety rest areas,”.

1 **SEC. 4. INCLUSION OF SAFETY PUBLIC AWARENESS CAM-**
2 **PAIGNS IN HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT**
3 **PROJECTS.**

4 Section 148(a)(4)(B) of title 23, United States Code,
5 is amended by adding at the end the following:

6 “(xxv) Safety public awareness cam-
7 paigns.”.

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