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S. 147

To provide for a reduction in regulatory costs by maintaining Federal average fuel economy standards applicable to automobiles in effect at current levels until changed by law, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 19, 1999

Mr. ABRAHAM (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. ASHCROFT, and Mr. DEWINE) 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. AVERAGE FUEL ECONOMY STANDARDS.**

4 Beginning on the date of enactment of this Act, the
5 average fuel economy standards established (whether di-
6 rectly or indirectly) under regulations promulgated by the
7 Secretary of Transportation under chapter 329 of title 49,
8 United States Code, prior to the date of enactment of this

1 Act for automobiles (as that term is defined in section
2 32901 of title 49, United States Code) that are in effect
3 on the day before the date of enactment of this Act, shall
4 apply without amendment, change, or other modification
5 of any kind (whether direct or indirect) for—

6 (1) the model years specified in the regulations;

7 (2) the applicable automobiles specified in the
8 regulations last promulgated for such automobiles;
9 and

10 (3) each model year thereafter;

11 until chapter 329 of title 49, United States Code, is spe-
12 cifically amended to authorize an amendment, change, or
13 other modification to such standards or is otherwise modi-
14 fied or superseded by law.

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