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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. Jones of Ohio introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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. THEFT PREVENTION STANDARDS.
- 4 Section 33103 of title 49, United States Code, is
- 5 amended by adding at the end the following:
- 6 "(g) Verification of Vehicle Ownership for
- 7 REPLACEMENT KEYS.—Not later than 180 days after the
- 8 date of enactment of this subsection, the Secretary of

- 1 Transportation shall prescribe a vehicle theft standard re-
- 2 quiring automobile dealerships to verify ownership of a ve-
- 3 hicle, including vehicle registration and driver's license,
- 4 before providing a spare or replacement key for such vehi-
- 5 cle. Notwithstanding section 33115(a) of this title, a viola-
- 6 tion of a regulation prescribed under this subsection shall
- 7 result in a fine of \$1,000 per violation.".

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