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S. 2284

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 1, 2014

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

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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 2014”.

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 protection of vulnerable pedestrian
11 populations, including children and older adults.

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

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

- 15 (1) by inserting “including pedestrian hybrid
16 beacons,” after “traffic control signalization,”; and
- 17 (2) by inserting “roadway improvements that
18 provide separation between pedestrians and motor
19 vehicles, including pedestrian sidewalks and crossing
20 islands,” after “safety rest areas,”.

21 **SEC. 4. INCLUSION OF SAFETY ADVERTISING CAMPAIGNS**
22 **IN HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT**
23 **PROJECTS.**

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

1 “(xxv) Safety public awareness cam-
2 paigns.”.

