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S. 1406

To direct the Secretary of Transportation to conduct research regarding and require the use of driver monitoring systems to minimize or eliminate motor vehicle driver distraction.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 28, 2021

Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR) 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 “Stay Aware For Every-
5 one Act of 2021” or the “SAFE Act of 2021”.

1 **SEC. 2. RESEARCH REGARDING REDUCTION OR ELIMI-**
2 **NATION OF DRIVER DISTRACTION.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after the
4 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transpor-
5 tation shall conduct research regarding the installation
6 and use on motor vehicles of driver monitoring systems
7 to minimize or eliminate—

8 (1) driver distraction;

9 (2) driver disengagement;

10 (3) automation complacency by drivers; and

11 (4) foreseeable misuse of advanced driver-assist
12 systems.

13 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
14 of completion of the research under subsection (a), the
15 Secretary of Transportation shall submit to the Com-
16 mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the
17 Senate and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of
18 the House of Representatives a detailed report describing
19 the findings of the research.

20 (c) RULEMAKING.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 4 years after
22 the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
23 Transportation shall issue a final rule to establish
24 performance standards for driver monitoring sys-
25 tems and require those systems to be installed on all

1 new passenger motor vehicles, subject to paragraphs
2 (2) and (3).

3 (2) COMPLIANCE DATE.—The compliance date
4 of the performance standards and installation re-
5 quirement prescribed under paragraph (1) shall be
6 not later than 2 motor vehicle model years after the
7 effective date of the final rule issued under that
8 paragraph.

9 (3) PRIVACY.—The rule issued under para-
10 graph (1) shall incorporate appropriate privacy and
11 data security safeguards, as determined by the Sec-
12 retary of Transportation.

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