

**AMENDMENT TO THE SENATE AMENDMENTS TO  
H.R. 22  
OFFERED BY M . \_\_\_\_\_**

Page 574, insert after line 6 the following new section:

**1 SEC. 34216. RETENTION OF SAFETY RECORDS BY MANUFACTURERS.**  
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**3** (a) RULE.—Not later than 18 months after the date  
**4** of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall issue a final  
**5** rule pursuant to section 30117 of title 49, United States  
**6** Code, requiring each manufacturer of motor vehicles or  
**7** motor vehicle equipment to retain all motor vehicle safety  
**8** records, including documents, reports, correspondence, or  
**9** other materials that contain information concerning mal-  
**10** functions that may be related to motor vehicle safety (in-  
**11** cluding any failure or malfunction beyond normal deterioro-  
**12** ration in use, or any failure of performance, or any flaw  
**13** or unintended deviation from design specifications, that  
**14** could in any reasonably foreseeable manner be a causative  
**15** factor in, or aggravate, an accident or an injury to a per-  
**16** son), for a period of not less than 20 calendar years from  
**17** the date on which they were generated or acquired by the  
**18** manufacturer. Such requirement shall also apply to all un-

1 derlying records on which information reported to the Sec-  
2 retary under part 579 of title 49, Code of Federal Regula-  
3 tions, is based.

4 (b) APPLICATION.—The rule required by subsection  
5 (a) shall apply with respect to any record described in such  
6 subsection that is in the possession of a manufacturer on  
7 the effective date of such rule.

