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Insert after subtitle D of title XXXIV the following new subtitle:


SEC. 34501. PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENT RULE.

(a) SAFETY RESEARCH INITIATIVE.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall complete research into the development of safety standards or performance requirements to reduce the number of injuries and fatalities suffered by pedestrians and other non-occupants who are struck by passenger motor vehicles.

(b) SPECIFICATIONS.—In carrying out subsection (a), the Secretary shall consider means for protecting especially vulnerable pedestrian and non-occupant populations, including children, older adults, and individuals with disabilities.

(c) RULEMAKING OR REPORT.—

(1) RULEMAKING.—Not later than 1 year after the completion of each testing and research initiative
required under subsection (a), the Secretary shall initiate a rulemaking proceeding to issue a Federal motor vehicle safety standard if the Secretary determines that such a standard meets the requirements and considerations set forth in subsections (a) and (b) of section 30111 of title 49, United States Code.

(2) REPORT.—If the Secretary determines that the standard described in paragraph (1) does not meet the requirements and considerations set forth in subsections (a) and (b) of section 30111 of title 49, United States Code, the Secretary shall submit a report describing the reasons for not prescribing such a standard to the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate.

(d) PASSENGER MOTOR VEHICLE DEFINED.—In this section, the term “passenger motor vehicle”—

(1) means a motor vehicle (as defined in section 30102(a) of title 49, United States Code) that is rated at less than 10,000 pounds gross vehicular weight; and

(2) does not include—

(A) a motorcycle;

(B) a trailer; or
(C) a low speed vehicle (as defined in section 571.3 of title 49, Code of Federal Regulations).