

S 841

Pedestrian Safety Enhancement Act of 2010

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Chamber: Senate

Policy Area: Transportation and Public Works

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]

Party: Democratic • **State:** MA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (29 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Specter, Arlen [R-PA]	R · PA		Apr 21, 2009
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		May 4, 2009
Sen. Bayh, Evan [D-IN]	D · IN		May 5, 2009
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		May 11, 2009
Sen. Hatch, Orrin G. [R-UT]	R · UT		Jun 9, 2009
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	D · MD		Jun 15, 2009
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Jun 17, 2009
Sen. Vitter, David [R-LA]	R · LA		Jul 6, 2009
Sen. Bennett, Robert F. [R-UT]	R · UT		Jul 8, 2009
Sen. Burr, Richard [R-NC]	R · NC		Jul 28, 2009
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Aug 6, 2009
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Aug 6, 2009
Sen. Brownback, Sam [R-KS]	R · KS		Aug 7, 2009
Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]	D · CT		Nov 4, 2009
Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Dec 8, 2009
Sen. Casey, Robert P., Jr. [D-PA]	D · PA		Dec 9, 2009
Sen. Enzi, Michael B. [R-WY]	R · WY		Dec 9, 2009
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Dec 17, 2009
Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]	D · WI		Jan 20, 2010
Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM]	D · NM		Feb 2, 2010
Sen. Bennet, Michael F. [D-CO]	D · CO		Feb 4, 2010
Sen. Crapo, Mike [R-ID]	R · ID		Feb 4, 2010
Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]	R · MS		Feb 11, 2010
Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]	D · NM		Feb 22, 2010
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [ID-CT]	ID · CT		Feb 22, 2010
Sen. Burris, Roland [D-IL]	D · IL		Feb 23, 2010
Sen. Conrad, Kent [D-ND]	D · ND		Mar 1, 2010
Sen. Lincoln, Blanche L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Mar 1, 2010
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	R · ME		Apr 12, 2010

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Commerce, Science, and Transportation Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Dec 9, 2010
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 13, 2010
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Referred To	Dec 13, 2010

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Transportation and Public Works

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 734	Related bill	Feb 2, 2009: Referred to the Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection.

Summary (as of Jan 4, 2011)

(This measure has not been amended since it was passed by the Senate on December 9, 2010. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Pedestrian Safety Enhancement Act of 2010 - Directs the Secretary of Transportation to initiate a rulemaking to promulgate a phased-in motor vehicle safety standard: (1) establishing performance requirements for an alert sound that allows blind and other pedestrians to detect a nearby electric or hybrid vehicle operating below the cross-over speed, if any; and (2) requiring such vehicles to provide an alert sound conforming to established standard requirements. Prescribes requirements for such standards. Prohibits requiring either driver or pedestrian activation of the alert sound.

Directs the Secretary to study and report to Congress on whether there is a safety need to apply such standard to conventional motor vehicles.

Requires the allocation of certain funds to the Administrator of the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration (NHTSA) to carry out this rulemaking.

Actions Timeline

- **Jan 4, 2011:** Signed by President.
- **Jan 4, 2011:** Became Public Law No: 111-373.
- **Dec 28, 2010:** Presented to President.
- **Dec 16, 2010:** Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H8543)
- **Dec 16, 2010:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 379 - 30 (Roll no. 640).(text: CR 12/15/2010 H8411)
- **Dec 16, 2010:** On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 379 - 30 (Roll no. 640). (text: CR 12/15/2010 H8411)
- **Dec 16, 2010:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Dec 16, 2010:** Cleared for White House.
- **Dec 15, 2010:** Mr. Barrow moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill.
- **Dec 15, 2010:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H8411-8412)
- **Dec 15, 2010:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on S. 841.
- **Dec 15, 2010:** At the conclusion of debate, the Yeas and Nays were demanded and ordered. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 8, rule XX, the Chair announced that further proceedings on the motion would be postponed.
- **Dec 13, 2010:** Received in the House.
- **Dec 13, 2010:** Referred to House Energy and Commerce
- **Dec 13, 2010:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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.
- **Dec 13, 2010:** Referred to House Transportation and Infrastructure
- **Dec 10, 2010:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Dec 9, 2010:** Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation discharged by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S8690)
- **Dec 9, 2010:** Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation discharged by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S8690)
- **Dec 9, 2010:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR S8690)
- **Dec 9, 2010:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S8690)
- **Dec 9, 2010:** Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S8690)
- **Apr 21, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 21, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4519)
- **Apr 21, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.