

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7390
OFFERED BY MR. MULLIN OF CALIFORNIA

Add at the end the following new section:

1 **SEC. 7. EMERGENCY RESPONSE COORDINATION WITH AU-**
2 **TONOMOUS VEHICLES.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish a
4 uniform format and process for covered entities to submit
5 to the Secretary—

6 (1) an emergency response guide containing de-
7 tailed information described in subsection (b) to sup-
8 port the coordination of emergency responders with
9 covered entities and the development of procedures
10 for responding to incidents involving covered vehi-
11 cles; and

12 (2) a clear and concise rescue sheet containing
13 relevant information described in subsection (b) that
14 is intended for use by an emergency responder at
15 the scene of an incident involving a covered vehicle
16 to deal with exigent circumstances.

17 (b) DOCUMENTATION.—Each emergency response
18 guide and rescue sheet submitted in accordance with sub-
19 section (a) shall detail—

1 (1) the process by which a covered entity in-
2 forms emergency responders of how the covered ve-
3 hicle interacts with emergency responders; and

4 (2) the methods by which emergency responders
5 may—

6 (A) communicate with a covered entity to
7 coordinate on the operations of and respond in
8 real time to incidents involving its covered vehi-
9 cles, including through the hotline required
10 under subsection (f);

11 (B) move, disable, immobilize, or tow a
12 covered vehicle;

13 (C) identify the operational status of a cov-
14 ered vehicle, including whether the automated
15 driving system is activated;

16 (D) identify and mitigate hazards related
17 to a covered vehicle involved in a collision, un-
18 planned stoppage event, or follow-up response
19 involving a second responder or public official;

20 (E) access occupants in an emergency, in-
21 cluding how emergency responders may—

22 (i) physically extricate occupants; and

23 (ii) communicate with occupants in
24 real time when an emergency responder is
25 outside the vehicle;

1 (F) communicate geofence notices with a
2 covered entity; and

3 (G) preserve and recover data from a cov-
4 ered entity to investigate a covered vehicle's in-
5 volvement in a collision, unplanned stoppage
6 event, or follow-up response involving a second
7 responder or public official.

8 (c) FREQUENCY.—With respect to the emergency re-
9 sponse guide and rescue sheet, and consistent with the
10 uniform process and format established by the Secretary,
11 as required under subsection (a), each covered entity
12 shall—

13 (1) submit such guide and rescue sheet to the
14 Secretary on the later of the date that is—

15 (A) no later than 180 days after the date
16 of enactment of this Act; or

17 (B) prior to a covered entity's operation of
18 its covered vehicles on public roads;

19 (2) submit to the Secretary any updated version
20 of such guide and rescue sheet on the later of the
21 date that is—

22 (A) 30 days prior to making any changes
23 to the vehicle or system, including its software,
24 that affect the subject areas described in sub-
25 section (b); or

1 (B) as soon as practicable for any changes
2 to the vehicle or system, including its software,
3 that pose an unreasonable risk to motor vehicle
4 safety or vulnerable road users materially re-
5 lated to the subject areas described in sub-
6 section (b); and

7 (3) provide to each emergency responder agency
8 and authority in the geographic areas in which the
9 covered entity knows or should have known that its
10 covered vehicles will operate—

11 (A) such guide and rescue sheet prior to
12 the introduction of such vehicles in those geo-
13 graphic areas; and

14 (B) any updated version of such guide and
15 rescue sheet not later than 5 days after an
16 emergency response guide and rescue sheet has
17 been updated and submitted pursuant to para-
18 graph (2).

19 (d) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—

20 (1) The Secretary shall establish and maintain
21 on a mobile friendly website a searchable, publicly
22 available, and central repository of emergency re-
23 sponse guides and rescue sheets submitted under
24 this subsection. Such website may be incorporated
25 into other databases related to covered vehicles.

1 (2) The Secretary shall make each emergency
2 response guide and rescue sheet submitted under
3 this subsection publicly available not later than 10
4 days after the date on which the Secretary receives
5 such guide or sheet.

6 (e) STANDARDIZATION OF EMERGENCY PROCE-
7 DURES.—

8 (1) Not later than 2 year after the date of the
9 enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall issue a
10 final rule establishing a uniform standard for how
11 covered entities shall enable emergency responders to
12 conduct the activities with covered vehicles that are
13 enumerated under subsection (b)(2).

14 (2) In developing the uniform standard required
15 under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall—

16 (A) consult with—

17 (i) agencies and other entities who
18 represent first responders and second re-
19 sponders;

20 (ii) entities that prepare communities
21 for disasters, including earthquakes,
22 wildfires, severe storms, extreme heat, and
23 flooding;

24 (ii) covered entities;

1 (iii) organizations focused on traffic
2 and pedestrian safety; and

3 (iii) standard-setting organizations;
4 and

5 (B) consider standards already developed
6 by private entities.

7 (3) Not later than 1 year after the final rule
8 issued pursuant to paragraph (1), a covered entity
9 shall not operate a covered vehicle on a public road
10 unless it is compliant with the standards promul-
11 gated under paragraph (1).

12 (f) EMERGENCY HOTLINE.—Beginning no later than
13 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, a
14 covered entity shall—

15 (1) maintain a telephone hotline that is avail-
16 able for emergency responders to communicate with
17 the covered entity in the event of an emergency, in-
18 cluding the ability to coordinate with remote human
19 operators;

20 (2) ensure availability of such hotline at all
21 times; and

22 (3) respond to callers on such hotline in real
23 time without requiring a call back.

24 (g) GEOFENCING NOTICES.—Beginning no later than
25 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, a

1 covered entity shall not operate a covered vehicle on a pub-
2 lic road unless it is compliant with all geofence notices
3 within 2 minutes of their issuance or operated merely to
4 remove a covered vehicle from an area subject to a
5 geofence notice.

6 (h) ENFORCEMENT.—Section 30165(a)(1) of title 49,
7 United States Code, is amended by inserting “subsections
8 (e)(3), (f), or (g) of section 7 of the SELF DRIVE Act
9 of 2026,” after “30127,”.

10 (i) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

11 (1) AUTOMATED DRIVING SYSTEM;
12 MANUFACTURER” OPERATOR.—The terms “Auto-
13 mated Driving System”, “manufacturer”, and “op-
14 erator” have the meaning given such terms in the
15 Third Amended Standing General Order 2021–01.

16 (2) COVERED ENTITY.—The term “covered en-
17 tity” means a manufacturer or operator that manu-
18 factures for sale, sells, offers for sale, introduces or
19 delivers for introduction in interstate commerce, im-
20 ports into the United States, or operates a covered
21 vehicle.

22 (3) COVERED VEHICLE.—The term “covered ve-
23 hicle” means a vehicle with an Automated Driving
24 System.

1 (4) EMERGENCY RESPONDER.—The term
2 “emergency responder” means first responders and
3 second responders.

4 (5) EMERGENCY RESPONSE GUIDE.—The term
5 “emergency response guide” means a document that
6 is similar to templates established by the Inter-
7 national Organization for Standardization in stand-
8 ard ISO 17840–3 (published in April 2019), or an-
9 other standard established by the Secretary.

10 (6) FIRST RESPONDER.—The term “first re-
11 sponder” has the meaning given to the same term
12 in section 561.5 of title 49, Code of Federal Regula-
13 tions.

14 (7) GEOFENCE NOTICE.—The term “geofence
15 notice” means a request by a first responder given
16 to a covered entity to have its covered vehicles avoid
17 a geographic area for a reasonable duration of time
18 to address an emergency, disaster, or other hazard.

19 (8) MOBILE FRIENDLY.—The term “mobile
20 friendly” has the meaning given to the same term in
21 section 3559 of title 44, United States Code.

22 (9) REMOTE HUMAN OPERATOR.—The term
23 “remote human operator” means a human being not
24 physically present within a covered vehicle who has
25 situational awareness of and the ability to move, di-

1 rect, or immobilize such vehicle on its own as di-
2 rected by an emergency responder.

3 (10) RESCUE SHEET.—The term “rescue
4 sheet” means a document that is similar to tem-
5 plates established by the International Organization
6 for Standardization in standards ISO 17840–1 (pub-
7 lished in February 2022) and ISO 17840–2 (pub-
8 lished in April 2019), or another standard estab-
9 lished by the Secretary.

10 (11) SECOND RESPONDER.—The term “second
11 responder” has the meaning given to the same term
12 in section 561.5 of title 49, Code of Federal Regula-
13 tions.

14 (12) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary”
15 means the Secretary of Transportation.

16 (13) THIRD AMENDED STANDING GENERAL
17 ORDER 2021–01.—The term “Third Amended Stand-
18 ing General Order 2021–01” means the Third
19 Amended Standing General Order 2021–01 (relating
20 to Incident Reporting for Automated Driving Sys-
21 tems (ADS) and Level 2 Advanced Driver Assist-
22 ance Systems (ADAS)) of the National Highway
23 Traffic Safety Administration with an effective date
24 of June 16, 2025.

1 (14) UNPLANNED STOPPAGE EVENT.—The
2 term “unplanned stoppage event” means an event,
3 other than a collision or an incident intentionally
4 caused by a human driver, during which, as a result
5 of an Automated Driving System, a covered vehi-
6 cle—

7 (A) stops on a public road in a travel lane
8 and is unable to proceed without retrieval, man-
9 ual intervention, or the assistance of a remote
10 operator;

11 (B) interferes with the normal functioning
12 of public transit or public transit vehicles, in-
13 cluding light rail;

14 (C) interferes with the activities of law en-
15 forcement or first responders; or

16 (D) interferes with a construction or work
17 zone.

18 (15) VULNERABLE ROAD USER.—The term
19 “vulnerable road user” has the meaning given such
20 term in section 148(a) of title 23, United States
21 Code.

