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# H. R. 2211

To require the Consumer Product Safety Commission to promulgate a consumer product safety rule for free-standing clothing storage units to protect children from tip-over related death or injury, and for other purposes.

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### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 10, 2019

Ms. SCHAKOWSKY (for herself, Mr. McNERNEY, Mr. SOTO, and Mr. RUSH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## A BILL

To require the Consumer Product Safety Commission to promulgate a consumer product safety rule for free-standing clothing storage units to protect children from tip-over related death or injury, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Stop Tip-overs of Un-  
3 stable, Risky Dressers on Youth Act” or the “STURDY  
4 Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY STANDARD TO PRO-**  
6 **TECT AGAINST TIP-OVER OF CLOTHING**  
7 **STORAGE UNITS.**

8 (a) CLOTHING STORAGE UNIT DEFINED.—In this  
9 section, the term “clothing storage unit” means any fur-  
10 niture item manufactured in the United States or im-  
11 ported for use in the United States that is intended for  
12 the storage of clothing, typical of bedroom furniture, in-  
13 cluding furniture items that—

14 (1) are commonly referred to as a chest, door  
15 chest, chest of drawers, dresser, or bureau; or

16 (2) may contain a chest, door chest, chest of  
17 drawers, dresser, or bureau.

18 (b) CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY STANDARD RE-  
19 QUIRED.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in sub-  
21 section (c)(1), not later than 1 year after the date  
22 of the enactment of this Act, the Consumer Product  
23 Safety Commission shall—

24 (A) in consultation with representatives of  
25 consumer groups, clothing storage unit manu-  
26 facturers, craft or handmade furniture manu-

1           facturers, and independent child product engi-  
2           neers and experts, examine and assess the ef-  
3           fectiveness of any voluntary consumer product  
4           safety standards for clothing storage units; and

5           (B) in accordance with section 553 of title  
6           5, United States Code, promulgate a final con-  
7           sumer product safety standard for clothing  
8           storage units to protect children from tip-over-  
9           related death or injury that includes—

10           (i) tests that simulate the weight of  
11           children up to 72 months of age using the  
12           most recent anthropometric data;

13           (ii) objective, repeatable, and measur-  
14           able tests that simulate real world use and  
15           account for any impact on clothing storage  
16           unit stability that may result from place-  
17           ment on carpeted surfaces, drawers with  
18           items in them, multiple open drawers, or  
19           dynamic force;

20           (iii) testing of all clothing storage  
21           units, including those under 30 inches in  
22           height; and

23           (iv) warning requirements based on  
24           ASTM F2057-17, or its successor at the  
25           time of enactment, provided that the Con-

1           sumer Product Safety Commission shall  
2           strengthen the requirements of ASTM  
3           F2057-17, or its successor, if reasonably  
4           necessary to protect children from tip-over-  
5           related death or injury.

6           (2) TREATMENT OF STANDARD.—A consumer  
7           product safety standard promulgated under para-  
8           graph (1) shall be treated as a consumer product  
9           safety rule promulgated under section 9 of the Con-  
10          sumer Product Safety Act (15 U.S.C. 2058).

11          (c) SUBSEQUENT RULEMAKING.—

12           (1) IN GENERAL.—At any time subsequent to  
13          the publication of a consumer product safety stand-  
14          ard under subsection (b)(1), the Commission may  
15          initiate a rulemaking, in accordance with section 553  
16          of title 5, United States Code to modify the require-  
17          ments of the consumer product safety standard de-  
18          scribed in subsection (b)(1) if reasonably necessary  
19          to protect children from tip-over-related death or in-  
20          jury.

21           (2) TREATMENT OF RULES.—Any rule promul-  
22          gated under paragraph (1) shall be treated as a con-  
23          sumer product safety rule promulgated under section  
24          9 of the Consumer Product Safety Act (15 U.S.C.  
25          2058).

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to require the Consumer Product Safety Commission to promulgate a consumer product safety rule for clothing storage units to protect children from tip-over related death or injury, and for other purposes.”.