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2D SESSION

H. R. 7679

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 25, 2026

Ms. GILLEN (for herself and Ms. KING-HINDS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Child Automobile Re-
5 straint Safety Education and Training Act” or the “CAR
6 SEAT Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. EDUCATION CAMPAIGN.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after the
9 date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transpor-
10 tation shall carry out an education campaign on the dan-
11 gers associated with noncompliant or counterfeit child re-
12 straint systems, including car seats and booster seats, that
13 do not meet Federal safety standards under sections
14 571.213 and 571.213b of title 49, Code of Federal Regu-
15 lations, and methods for identifying and avoiding such sys-
16 tems.

17 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
18 authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary to carry
19 out this section \$1,500,000, to remain available until ex-
20 pended.

21 **SEC. 3. HIGHWAY SAFETY PROGRAMS.**

22 Section 402(a)(2)(A)(iii) of title 23, United States
23 Code, is amended by inserting “, and to carry out public
24 information and education activities related to the dangers
25 associated with noncompliant or counterfeit child restraint

1 systems, including car seats and booster seats, that do not
2 meet Federal safety standards under sections 571.213 and
3 571.213b of title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, and
4 methods for identifying such products” after “underserved
5 populations”.

