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# H. R. 1995

To direct the Secretary of Transportation to prescribe rules requiring car dealerships to verify ownership before providing replacement keys.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 28, 2005

Mrs. JONES of Ohio introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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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## A BILL

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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. THEFT PREVENTION STANDARDS.**

4       Section 33103 of title 49, United States Code, is  
5       amended by adding at the end the following:

6       “(g) VERIFICATION OF VEHICLE OWNERSHIP FOR  
7       REPLACEMENT KEYS.—Not later than 180 days after the  
8       date of enactment of this subsection, the Secretary of

1 Transportation shall prescribe a vehicle theft standard re-  
2 quiring automobile dealerships to verify ownership of a ve-  
3 hicle, including vehicle registration and driver's license,  
4 before providing a spare or replacement key for such vehi-  
5 cle. Notwithstanding section 33115(a) of this title, a viola-  
6 tion of a regulation prescribed under this subsection shall  
7 result in a fine of \$1,000 per violation.”.

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