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H. R. 7157

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Ms. LEE, Mr. WALDEN of Oregon, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, and Mr. SOUDER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Radio All Digital
5 Channel Receiver Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. MANDATING TERRESTRIAL DIGITAL RADIO RECEIV-**
2 **ERS.**

3 (a) COMMISSION AUTHORITY.—Section 303 of the
4 Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 303) is amended
5 by adding at the end the following new subsection:

6 “(z) Require that apparatus shipped in interstate
7 commerce or manufactured in the United States that is
8 designed to receive signals broadcast in both the satellite
9 digital audio radio service and the terrestrial AM or FM
10 radio broadcast service be equipped with technology that
11 is capable of receiving and playing digital radio signals
12 as transmitted by terrestrial AM or FM stations.”.

13 (b) PROHIBITION.—Section 330 of such Act (47
14 U.S.C. 330) is amended—

15 (1) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-
16 section (e); and

17 (2) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-
18 lowing:

19 “(d)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), no per-
20 son shall ship in interstate commerce or manufacture in
21 the United States apparatus described in section 303(z)
22 of this Act unless such apparatus complies with the rules
23 prescribed by the Commission pursuant to the authority
24 granted by that section.

1 “(2) This subsection shall not apply to carriers trans-
2 porting apparatus referred to in paragraph (1) without
3 trading in such apparatus.”.

4 (c) DEADLINE FOR COMMISSION ACTION.—The Fed-
5 eral Communications Commission shall take all actions
6 necessary to prescribe rules pursuant to the amendments
7 made by this section within 180 days after the date of
8 enactment of this Act.

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