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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. HUIZENGA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Clear the Reckless Ob-
5 structions And Dangers on Streets Act” or the “Clear the
6 ROADS Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ROADWAY OBSTRUCTION.**

2 (a) WITHHOLDING OF APPORTIONMENTS FOR NON-
3 COMPLIANCE.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 1 of title 23, United
5 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the
6 following:

7 **“§ 180. Roadway obstruction**

8 “(a) WITHHOLDING OF APPORTIONMENTS FOR NON-
9 COMPLIANCE.—Beginning not later than the first October
10 1 after the Secretary of Transportation has issued such
11 regulations as are necessary to carry out this section or
12 the first October 1 after a State has held a legislative ses-
13 sion, whichever is later, and each October 1 thereafter,
14 the Secretary shall withhold an amount equal to 10 per-
15 cent of the funds to be apportioned to a State on that
16 date under each of paragraphs (1) and (2) of section
17 104(b), unless the Secretary has certified on or before that
18 date that the State has met the requirement described in
19 subsection (b).

20 “(b) REQUIREMENT.—A State meets the requirement
21 of this subsection if the Secretary determines the State
22 has made reasonable efforts to prohibit individuals who
23 are not performing work on behalf of a Federal, State,
24 or local government from knowingly and recklessly ob-
25 structing lawful vehicle transportation on Federal-aid

1 highways in the State in a manner that endangers the
2 safety or health of the public.”.

3 (2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The analysis for
4 chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code, is amend-
5 ed by adding at the end the following:

“180. Roadway obstruction.”.

6 (b) RULEMAKING.—Not later than 180 days after the
7 date of enactment of this section, the Secretary of Trans-
8 portation shall issue such regulations as are necessary to
9 carry out section 180 of title 23, United States Code (as
10 added by this section).