

**The
Roya, AnnaLeah and Mary Comprehensive Underride Protection
Act of 2017
(RAM CUP)**

*in memory of
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and
Roya Christine Sadigh (forever 26)*

**An act to protect road users – pedestrians, cyclists, motorcyclists, and
passenger vehicles – from the risk of death and/or serious injury from riding
under Commercial Motor Vehicles.**



Summary:

Hundreds of people die every year in the United States as a result of truck underride crashes. The current standards for truck underride are inadequate or nonexistent. This bill would direct NHTSA to initiate rulemaking and oversee the administration of enhanced truck underride standards. There are solutions in the marketplace that address the hazards and devastation of underride crashes to pedestrians, cyclists and passenger vehicles. This bill outlines standards and specifications for underride protection and incorporates:

- Underride protection at the rear of the truck or semi-trailer.
- Underride protection on single unit trucks (SUT).
- Underride protection on the sides of trucks/semi-trailers.
- Underride protection on the front of trucks.
- Reviews protocol for underride standards.
- Guidelines and enforcement for guard repairs.
- Timeline for rulemaking and enforcement.
- Specifies all current bills in conflict become null and void.

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