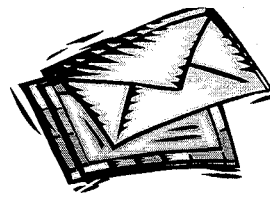


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Good morning,

Senator Blumenthal was recently contacted by [REDACTED] of Wallingford, Connecticut. I'm including [REDACTED] letter to the Senator below, which describes his issue. [REDACTED] informed me that he recently submitted a letter to NHTSA with his corrected VIN number (JN8AF5MV1DT [REDACTED]) and was anticipating a response. He asked that I forward his concerns regarding the safety features of the 2013 Nissan Juke which he feels led to his injuries and damage to property, and check on the status of the written response he's awaiting. I appreciate any assistance you can provide to [REDACTED]

His letter is below:

"Dear Senator Blumenthal,
On 9/28/15 I had an accident involving a rollaway incident with a keyless ignition vehicle. On 10/30/15 I submitted a complaint to the NHSTA and I attached to this letter as follows:
I WAS DRIVING MY WIFE'S 2013 NISSAN JUKE WHICH WAS PURCHASED IN DECEMBER OF 2013. I WAS DRIVING THE CAR BY MYSELF FOR THE SECOND TIME AND THEREFORE I WAS NOT ACCUSTOMED TO USING THE KEYLESS IGNITION. I STOPPED TO CHECK THE MAIL BOX APPROXIMATELY 100 FEET ON TOP OF A SMALL HILL ON THE ROAD OF MY CONDOMINIUM COMPLEX, WHERE THE MAIL BOX WAS LOCATED. I WAS FOCUSED ON THE PROCESS OF USING THE NEW PUSH BUTTON SYSTEM OF TURNING OFF THE IGNITION AND CONSEQUENTLY DID NOT SHIFT THE CAR INTO PARK. I TURNED THE CAR OFF AND EXITED THE CAR WHILE IT WAS STILL IN DRIVE, LEFT THE DOOR OPEN AND PROCEEDED TO WALK OVER TO MY MAIL BOX. I DID NOT RECALL HEARING ANY TYPE OF ALARM ALERTING ME TO THE FACT THAT THE CAR WAS NOT IN PARK. ONCE I REALIZED THE CAR WAS ROLLING, I RAN AFTER IT HOPING TO CATCH IT BEFORE IT HIT SOMEONE FEARING THAT SOMEONE COULD BE SERIOUSLY INJURED OR KILLED. I RAN OVER SOME DAMP GRASS FELL TO THE GROUND SO HARD I SEVERELY DISLOCATED MY RIGHT SHOULDER SEVERING 3 ROTATOR CUFF TENDONS REQUIRING EXTENSIVE SURGERY. ALSO I WAS RUNNING SO HARD THAT I TORE THE MUSCLES IN THE BACK OF MY LEGS AND SEVERELY LACERATED MY RIGHT FOREARM AS WELL. THE CAR CAME TO A STOP AFTER IT BRUSHED UP AGAINST MY NEIGHBOR'S GARAGE CAUSING APPROXIMATELY \$4,000.00 WORTH OF DAMAGE TO THE VEHICLE AND ALSO APPROXIMATELY \$1,200.00 WORTH OF DAMAGE TO THE GARAGE, LAWN AND SHRUBS. Since then I have contacted approximately six different attorneys that handle

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product liability cases and the overall response from them has been that my chances of winning the case is not good because the courts have thrown out a class action law suit (and an appeal) on the grounds that Nissan does not violate Safety Standard 114. I don't believe that it is safe for a vehicle to be able to be turned off while it is still in gear. My attorney has advised me to wait until there is more complaints made so that the NHSTA will put more pressure on the car companies to change their design. I believe that the present keyless ignition designs are dangerous as evidenced by numerous reports that I have found on the internet regarding roll away vehicles and also cars left running in garages that have caused carbon monoxide poisoning incidents as well.

Please let me know if you can give me your support on this issues. It doesn't make sense to me that more Americans have to harmed before the NHSTA does something to protect us.

Sincerely,

[Redacted signature]

Thank you,
Anton

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Name: [Redacted]

Address: [Redacted]

City and Zip Code: Wallingford, CT [Redacted]

Daytime: [Redacted] (work/home, circle one) Fax: () _____

Evening: [Redacted] (work/home, circle one) Cell: [Redacted]

E-mail: [Redacted]

Social Security Number (if applicable): _____ Date of Birth: [Redacted]

Identification or Case Number (if applicable): _____

Federal agency you need help with: NHSTA

Have you contacted any other Congressional offices? Yes No

• If yes, which offices? _____

Nature of issue: I sustained a serious shoulder injury involving a roll away incident on 9/28/14. I was driving my wife's 2013 Nissan Juke and I was unfamiliar with the Keyless ignition system. I exited the vehicle after turning it off while in drive. The chime & dash icon failed to

get my attention. I believe this is a bad design. It does not comply with Safety Standard 114, No vehicle should be able to be shut off while in drive.
I authorize the Office of Senator Richard Blumenthal to address the matter described above on my behalf and to receive any relevant information the Senator and his staff may need in their efforts to provide assistance to me:

[Redacted Signature]

3/16/15
Date

Please complete and mail this form to:
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