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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

RE: Automatic Emergency Braking system

To Whom it May Concern:

I recently rented a 2023 Toyota Camry and was driving to Green Bay, WI from Milwaukee, WI. I had cruise control on, which I love, and suddenly, without warning, the vehicle began slowing down when I got about 300-400 feet away from the next vehicle. It was at that point that I realized that the vehicle was equipped with Automatic Emergency Braking. So, I then switched to the next lane and resumed my set speed. Only to have it happen numerous times again.

Later, after all the frustrating situations, I had a chance to look at the car manual. It indicated that the system could be shut off. I attempted to do this, to no avail. So, I simply turned off the cruise control, and left it off for the remainder of my trip.

Later, I spoke to friends that have that on their vehicles and they informed me that they always turn it off, rather than be bothered with it.

I love most of the safety features on vehicles today, but this one should be discontinued. It is actually more of a hazard than a safety feature. Instead of a person using their own mind to just change lanes when they feel that it is appropriate, they are stuck with this automatic braking system. As a result, a person is likely to cause an accident by changing lanes suddenly.

What is the sense of having it on a vehicle when it can be turned off? If I purchased a vehicle that had that, I definitely would turn it off. It is a real nuisance.

Please review this supposedly safety feature.

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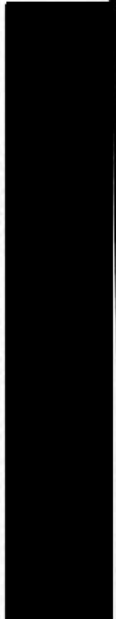
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