



May 8, 2025

Hon. Jeremy Cooney, Chair
Senate Committee on Transportation
Legislative Office Building, Room 802
Albany, NY 12248

RE: Support – S-4045B – Stop Super Speeders Act

Dear Chairman Cooney:

On behalf of the Alliance for Automotive Innovation¹ (Auto Innovators), I wanted to express our strong support for Senate Bill 4045B, legislation designed to curb the epidemic of habitual and excessive speeders.

Our members have invested countless research and development capital to continually improve vehicle safety systems, not only to increase the chances of surviving but also to help avoid a crash in the first place. But the efficacy of these safety systems is largely undermined when drivers consciously and consistently use vehicles in an unsafe manner. What is more, it is estimated that speeding contributes to nearly one-third of all deaths on our roadways today. Passing this forward-thinking legislation would show a commitment to improving roadway safety using available, common-sense tools. The *Stop Super Speeders Act* would help reduce speed-related incidents throughout New York State and the roadway fatalities associated with this reckless behavior.

This legislation introduces a proactive approach to combatting reckless driving by mandating the use of Intelligent Speed Assistance (ISA) technology in the vehicles of certain high-risk drivers. The bill responds to an increase in dangerous driving behaviors and speeding-related traffic deaths, especially in and around New York City. Habitual offenders that exceed a specific threshold of offenses will be required to install certified monitoring technologies on their vehicles to keep them in line with posted speed limits for a period of at least one year.

Despite the best efforts of regulators and law enforcement professionals, we know some drivers who have lost the privilege to drive continue to do so. Employing this approach allows the drivers found guilty of speeding-related offences to maintain their mobility – which is often

¹ Formed in 2020, the Alliance for Automotive Innovation is the singular, authoritative, and respected voice of the automotive industry. Focused on creating a safe and transformative path for sustainable industry growth, the Alliance for Automotive Innovation now represents automakers producing nearly 99 percent of cars and light trucks sold in the U.S., tier-one original equipment suppliers, as well as technology and other automotive-related companies. www.autosinnovate.org.

the key to remaining employed – but requires them to do so in a more safe and responsible manner. The inclusion of penalties for tampering with the ISA system reinforces the integrity of this initiative and further supports compliance.

As drafted, the legislation is balanced to promote safer driving habits and underscores the seriousness of hazardous driving behaviors. Done correctly, this legislation could provide a blueprint for other states to follow when addressing this issue which plagues every state.

For all of the above reasons, Auto Innovators offers its strong support and respectfully asks for your favorable consideration of S-4045B. Thank you for your consideration of our views. If I can answer any questions or provide any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 202-326-5550 or wweikel@autosinnovate.org.

Respectfully submitted,



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