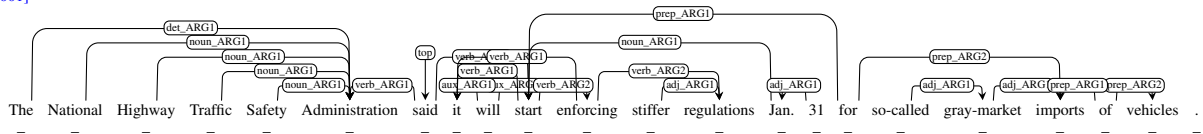
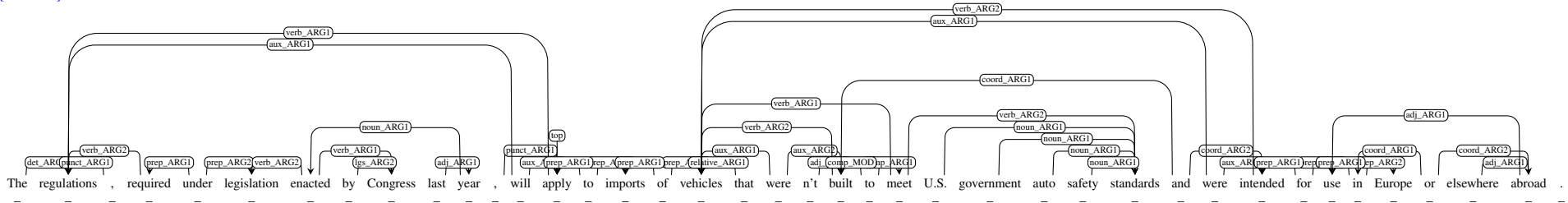


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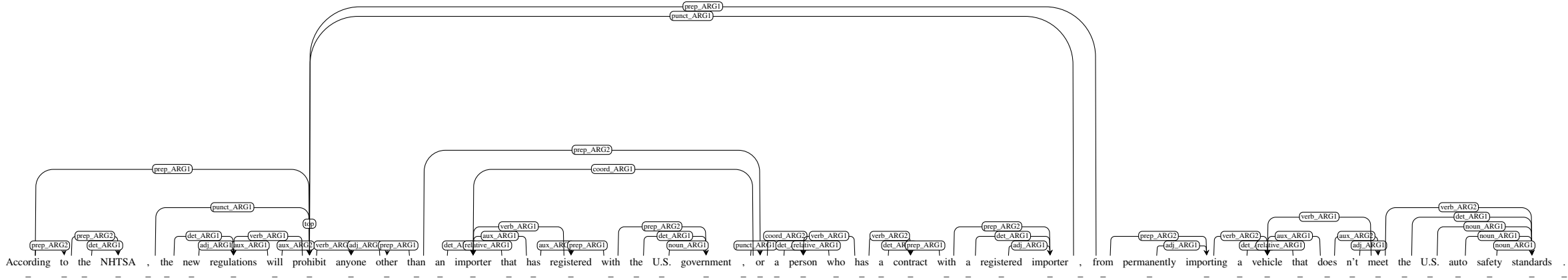


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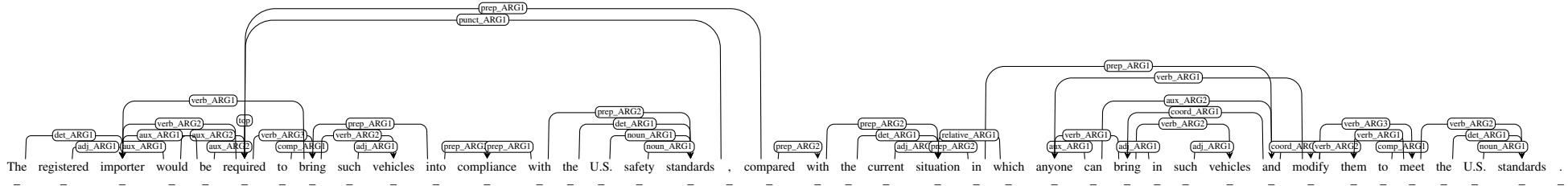
The regulations, required under legislation enacted by Congress last year, will apply to imports of vehicles that were n't built to meet U.S. government auto safety standards and were intended for use in Europe or elsewhere abroad.

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According to the NHTSA , the new regulations will prohibit anyone other than an importer that has registered with the U.S. government , or a person who has a contract with a registered importer , from permanently importing a vehicle that does n't meet the U.S. auto safety standards .

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The registered importer would be required to bring such vehicles into compliance with the U.S. safety standards, compared with the current situation in which anyone can bring in such vehicles and modify them to meet the U.S. standards.