

Comment from Sean Reynolds

Hello. While I agree that the quiet cars can be unsafe to inattentive pedestrians, etc., I believe that a uniform sound, one that is already car-like, will best fit the added sound component. Alternate sounds might serve to entertain, distract but not necessarily to just be safe, despite the bills intentions. Please consider how peoples purpose for honking (and modifications made to horns, to sound like trains, bugles, and such) could (and, I predict, will) be emulated in a nonproductive, unsafe way.

Finally, I submit that the singular, uniform noise should quiet as the car gains speed. Considering sound being employed solely for the purpose of safety, no added noise needed at highway/freeway speeds is quite provable upon observation of most vehicles (excepting those with modified exhaust, already illegal in California, my state of residence) on freeways. The overwhelming majority of freeway/highway noise is not that of engines, rather that of tires, there hardly bring a difference at, say, 55 MPH between a Honda CR-V, a Ford Ranger, and a Prius.

Thank you for your consideration
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