

## **Comment from Laura Fox**

Posted by the **National Highway Traffic Safety Administration** on Mar 25, 2022

I am very troubled by the agency's resistance to addressing risks borne by those walking and biking.

Nothing in this 236-pages proposal suggests "crashworthiness" tests for pedestrian safety of the sort that other countries have long held.

Pedestrian and cyclist deaths are surging in the United States – over 40% in the last decade – while most other countries have seen a decline.

We need to better support pedestrians and cyclists here, especially as vehicles have only gotten larger over the last decade. Please make revisions that reflect this need, and that are aligned to USDOT's recent National Roadway Safety Strategy that emphasized the urgency of protecting vulnerable road users.