

Comment from Tamer Ryan

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I want to start by saying this is a rule that I will fully support. I have seen way too many lives end early because of people not wearing seatbelts. It is a real tragedy for someone to be seriously injured or fatally wounded over something so simple. Personally, I have had my life saved because of wearing one and it is something that I will always do. When I am driving, if I have any passengers, I refuse to start the vehicle until everyone is buckled in safe. I will have friends argue with me that in Arizona they are not required to wear one in rear seats, this does not matter to me. I would rather a friend be upset at me for requiring them to be safe than possibly have them be killed in an accident. Currently, there are only 33 states and D.C. that require adults in the rear seat to wear one, I also think this needs to change. Make them mandatory nationwide regardless of age or position in the vehicle.

Having these safety reminders in vehicle is a great way to start this change and increase the safety of the people. The only downside I foresee is when people use their rear seats to move large and heavy objects. This may cause the system to give false alarms but I believe that would be an easy fix for the automobile manufactures.