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To whom it may concern,

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the traffic laws on Norfolk Island.

I appreciate that many rules need to be updated so that each and every road user is as safe as is possible. One area that concerns me a lot is the ability to ride on the back of a ute or truck. I do realise that it can be a dangerous practice if people do not adhere to the necessary safety precautions that should be practiced at all times.

Many people on Norfolk may only have a ute and you will find that these people will insist that all who ride on the deck of their ute are sitting. We had the very unfortunate situation where a person riding on the back of a truck was fatally injured. This happened because the person, who was asked to sit on at least three occasions, kept jumping of the truck whilst it was moving. Of course what should of happened is the driver stop and not move until the person was off the vehicle. That is the wisdom of hindsight.

Now every one of us can pass laws until we are blue in the face but you cannot legislate against foolhardiness.

I find it difficult to just accept this if it becomes law as it will affect many people.

Thank you,

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