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**Sent:** Saturday, 25 May 2019 8:29 AM  
**To:** NI Legislation  
**Cc:** [Redacted]  
**Subject:** Traffic Laws in Norfolk Island

To who it concerns,

I am writing to vehemently oppose the proposed changes to Road Traffic Laws in Norfolk Island, in particular **2.2 Preventing injuries from Ute tray riding**.

This practice has been a long standing tradition in Norfolk Island, however, the Australian Government seems intent on removing all traditional acts by the Norfolk Island people. I can understand the need for change if there are frequent accidents or fatalities as a consequence of Passengers riding in the back of a Truck, however, this is in fact not the case. Locals are very careful and sensible about this practice and appreciate the need for correctly following the law, as Australia attempts to apply all Australian Legislation to our Island. The recommendation to change this law came about as a consequence of an Australian Visitor riding on the back of the vehicle and in fact refusing to sit as requested by the driver. So the statistics show we have had one fatality (once can say one is too many) and no injuries as a result of passengers riding in the back of a Ute, however, it was the actions of an Australian visitor that resulted in this fatality.

Regards,  
David Sanders

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