

National Safety Council

Position/Policy Statement

Motor Vehicle Risk to Employees

WHEREAS, nearly 37 percent of all occupational fatalities involve motor vehicle crashes, the leading cause of worker deaths, and

WHEREAS, OSHA has authority to require usage of personal protective equipment,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the National Safety Council urges the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to publicly announce its intention to require employers covered under the OSHA Act and not covered by another agency to adopt a policy requiring employees to use seat belts when riding in motor vehicles, and that they undertake immediate development of comprehensive guidelines on reduction of motor vehicle risk to employees, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that OSHA be urged to initiate specific rulemaking to address the above issues.

This position statement reflects the opinions of the National Safety Council but not necessarily those of each member organization.

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