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I've been reading and hearing for the past few years about the out dated H.O.S. (hours of Service) Rules — I've always personally felt the companies should shoulder more responsibility when it comes to the H.O.S. Rule —

Have been a driver for almost forty years now and have functioned quite well under the Rules as they are — But then the companies I've been employed by have had Rules and all paid their drivers at a rate comparable to the teamster contracts — And if you as a driver violated the Speed Laws and H.O.S. Rule you were put on Notice and three of these, you lost your job —

Who the hell wants to work 70 hours a week and be away from home like some carriers do to their drivers, three to four weeks —

I've heard the the FHWA has set out to modify the current hours-of-Service Rule — I for one think there fine just like they are — I run for a private carrier, how would any changes impact us —

What kind of input are you looking for —

Sincerely

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