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RE: Electronic On-Board Recorders for Hours-of-Service
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My comments on EOBR's in commercial vehicles are as follows:

Aside from the fact that this equipment will be a total invasion of privacy, they should be banned until the recorders can record ABSOLUTELY EVERYTHING. By absolutely everything, I mean:

- Who is in the driver's seat,
- Truck not moving, exactly what is driver doing: resting, playing, working,
- Record instructions from management to the driver to determine coercion,
- Camera to record exact liability of the other vehicle in the instance of an accident,
- Complete privacy of information should also be foremost consideration.

I have to ask how this information will be monitored. Logbook monitoring is a joke, so how is this going to be any better?

I think it is an added expense to the industry, used to pacify the motoring public that refuses to learn how to drive around big equipment - i.e.: Patt and Crash, etc.

More useful than an EOBR would be a camera recording what the public is doing. Positive proof that most accidents are caused by amateur drivers and not by professionals.

Possibly most useful would be training during the "driver's ed" classes during the adolescent years requiring students to learn about trucks and the special circumstances of driving around them.

Until our society wakes up to the fact it is the responsibility of every driver to drive defensibly, injuries and fatalities will continue to be more than necessary.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my comments on this subject.



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