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May 16, 1974

Honorable Thomas J. McIntyre
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator McIntyre;

This letter is in reply to your correspondence of May 1, 1974, requesting comments concerning baby seats on bicycles raised by your constituent, Mr. Donald Dillavou, Sr., of Nashua, New Hampshire. While the Consumer Product Safety Commission has jurisdiction over baby seats for bicycles, the question of whether such baby seats should be allowed on bicycles is a matter of State jurisdiction. However, in a recent amendment to the Highway Safety Act, Congress directed the National Highway and Traffic Safety Administration, which is under the Department of Transportation, to consider the possibility of bicycle safety regulations which the States would be required to adopt. Therefore, I have taken the liberty of forwarding your correspondence and your constituent's letter to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Office of Traffic Safety Programs for appropriate action.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Barbara A. Ludden
Director of Congressional Relations

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