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The Law for Motorcycle Helmets

Dear Representative Canfeld,

You should make a law that everyone has to wear a helmet if they ride a motorcycle. Motorcycles are fast and if you crash it would hurt you a lot. You could die. Every year people are hurt riding motorcycles and some of them would not be if they wore a helmet.

I think people are dumb when they don't want to wear a helmet. They think they are cool or something and it is dumb. I know that people get hurt. I saw a presentation at school about not wearing seatbelts and it was sad. I think motorcycles are worse than seatbelts.

You should come and talk to kids at school about why it is important. And if they don't wear one, they should have to pay a lot of money. And the money could also pay for the doctor visits for the people who get hurt. It's for their safety.

Thank you for your time.

A future voter,

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The Law Against Television

Dear Representative Ramirez,

I'm writing to you because you are going to be voting on a law that bans children from watching television, and I'm hoping you will vote against it. I believe that this law would take away some basic rights we have, such as freedom of speech. Children's rights should be protected, just like grown-ups.

What's wrong with kids watching television? It's how we find out about things in different places. You can watch the news to see what is happening around the world, or you can watch shows like Zoom and Backyard Jungle. These shows teach you how to have fun with art, science and reading. I learned how to cook from one of these programs, too!

Some people think that television is too violent or scary for kids, but I disagree. It should be up to your parents to know if a show is going to be okay for a child to watch. They know their kids and what is best for them. Parents can choose what television is okay for younger and older kids.

Television is a fun thing for kids to do after school when they want to relax. It teaches you about sports and other activities we might not have known about. Please don't vote for this law banning television for kids. Let's work together to make sure kids are watching good shows and then it will be a good thing.

Thank you for listening to me.

From a future voter,

Frank