

other things beside that lap belt out there and I think that you need to take into consideration. Now we are not breaking new ground, and if you have forgotten, 34 other countries have this type of requirement. Now I know there is no need for us to follow suit, but if they have found that this is effective and we are the only major industrialized country who has not felt that this is good for our people, maybe we ought to stop and think about that. Thirty-four other countries, they think it is effective. They think there is a reason for it and it has proven to be that way, then that should say something to us. Now why would you want to delay it? I know, you can say that, well, let's not rush into this right away, let's delay it. But those manufacturers, if they are going to meet that 1990 deadline, they are going to have to know well in advance whether they have to tool up or not, because if they have to tool for air bags and they get clear up against that 1990 date, they are tooled and they are going to sell them because they have the expense into that tooling and that is not cheap. So why don't we give them a little consideration like we are asking in the other things? Why don't we say, yes, this is wise and, yes, we know it is foolish to spend money for procedures that are not effective unless they are worn with lap belts? We have to give them lead time, we know that, unless you want to spend the extra money for something that is not effective and the extra taxes for the extra money for something that is not effective. Let's give them that lead time and besides that, ladies and gentlemen, it gets to the heart of the issue. It is saving lives and it is saving injuries.

PRESIDENT: One minute.

SENATOR MOREHEAD: Between 1980 and 1983, one out of every four people was involved in an accident that caused death or injury. That means, ladies and gentlemen, that in this body between now and 1989 one out of every four, either in here or in your family if you have four members of your family, is going to be involved in an automobile accident, and if you didn't have your lap belt on and you ask Francis and Maxine Moul about their daughter and you ask some of the Pages up here about their friends who probably would have had safety belts on and would probably be with us today. Why delay it? If it is right, it is right for now, it is not right for just 1989. It is right for now. Please do not return for this amendment.