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Scherr Law Firm, PLLC Alerts Public to NHTSA Report That Shows a Rising Trend in Truck Crash Fatalities

EL PASO, TEXAS — April 12, 2024 — Scherr Law Firm, PLLC Founder Maxey Scherr wants to alert the public about the US Department of Transportation National Highway Traffic Safety Administration’s *Overview of Motor Vehicle Crashes in 2022* released earlier this month.

The report signifies a frightening uptick in people killed and injured in traffic crashes involving large trucks. Overall, in 2022, 5,936 individuals lost their lives and a whopping 160,608 more were injured. Over 80% of those deaths were occupants of the other vehicle or “nonoccupants.”

The continued increase is not only startling, but also shows URGENT legislation is needed to combat the loss of life and serious injuries due to truck crashes. Scherr states, “Devices such as top-end speed limiters and underride guards in large trucks deters the probability of death and catastrophic injuries from occurring. Furthermore, instead of rolling back safety measures for motor carriers, FMCSA should protect existing requirements and even expand protocols regarding truck driver knowledge, permit supervision and stricter penalties for transportation companies who fail to follow the law.”

Scherr Law Firm, PLLC joins organizations such as The Truck Safety Coalition, The Institute for Safer Trucking and Road Safe America in calling for Federal, State, and local officials to enact necessary laws that will prevent truck crashes and improve road safety. Scherr recently testified at the United States Capitol along with other various leaders in hopes of making our roads safer.

The US DoT NHTSA’s *Overview of Motor Vehicle Crashes in 2022* can be found at:

<https://crashstats.nhtsa.dot.gov/Api/Public/ViewPublication/813560>

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