

Although the recent limousine accident was horrific, it's unfair to punish a whole industry because of one rogue operator. We should punish the operator.

We feel that limousines are a safe mode of transportation and keep some drunk drivers off the road.

Vehicles will cross the border from New Jersey, Connecticut and Pennsylvania and will continue to transport passengers in our state.

This will create a loss of revenue for our residents and a loss of sales tax.

We feel we should limit the capacity to double the manufacturers' limit (i.e. A standard Suburban, which is built for 8 people, should be limited to 16 people, similar to what they do in New Jersey).

Also, vehicles should have a 10 year operating limit, so they have the latest safety technologies.

Seatbelts should be a requirement in all vehicles.

Whatever is put into place, we'd like a 24 month "sunset" clause, as to not create havoc in our industry for operators that have these vehicles and brides that have them reserved in the future.

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