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Federal Preemption Threatens State Safety Laws

Federal preemption gives the federal government exclusive authority to regulate certain industries. This includes the design and manufacture of commercial airlines. Over the years, however, Congress has made it clear that state laws protecting accident victims must coexist with federal laws and preemption.

But now safety advocates are sounding the alarm on corporate special interests that are pushing the boundaries of federal preemption in an effort to weaken state legal protections for injured people and their families.

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Planes, Trains & Automobiles: Commuters Face Growing Number of New Perils



Anything bad that can happen to business travelers does in the 1987 classic comedy *Planes, Trains and Automobiles* as Neal Page (Steve Martin) and Del Griffith (John Candy) are thrown together during a harrowing holiday commute from New York to Chicago. But there's not much to laugh about today for a growing number of commuters who rely on our roads, rails and airways to get to work.

A startling new report details how corporate corner-cutting, lax federal oversight and relentless attacks on our legal rights are threatening the safety of millions of Americans.

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9 Days

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Airline Mechanics Asked



Commuting time hit a record high for the average American in 2018 at 9 days, or 225 hours, per year.

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to Look the Other Way

This investigation found that many airline mechanics feel pressured by management to overlook safety problems at U.S. airlines.

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