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Abstract

This study investigates Taiwan's traffic safety issues by analyzing the effects of the newly implemented "Pedestrian Emperor" provision. Introduced to reduce pedestrian fatalities by imposing fines on drivers who fail to yield to pedestrians, the policy has achieved only partial success. Based on my survey conducted among university students, the findings reveal that while awareness of the provision is high and improvements in driver behavior are visible, other concerns still remain regarding reckless driving, poor urban planning, and inadequate pedestrian infrastructure. Therefore, relying only on punitive measures is insufficient. Comprehensive strategies including stricter enforcement, enhanced infrastructure, improved public transportation and public education is essential. Resolving Taiwan's "traffic hell" situation requires not just legislative methods but also systemic and cultural changes.

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