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Presentation

"Driverless Cars: Impacting the Societal Norm"

Recently, news articles have highlighted the race to automate - companies like Google and Tesla have tested driverless vehicles and the technology is well sought after by companies that rely on transporting goods and services by vehicle, such as FedEx and Amazon.com. According to the Hill.com, the House Energy and Commerce Committee approved a July 27th legislative package that would bar states from setting driverless car rules and allow manufacturers to deploy up to 10,000 driverless vehicles annually. However, other countries, such as India, oppose driverless vehicles stating the new technology will reduce jobs. According to CNN.com, India's Transportation Minister stated the new technology will increase unemployment rates. My presentation will discuss the pros and cons of navigating (pun intended) toward this new technology.

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