

Good Afternoon Chairman Barker, Vice Chair Olsen and Vice Chair Williamson. Thank you for you time and the opportunity to discuss House Bill 2598 will you and the Committee Members My name is Doug Tiller , I am currently the Legislative Director of BikePAC of Oregon, Administrator for Coalition of Independent Riders as well as a 25 year motorcycle rider. I am here today representing Abate of Oregon and ALL of Oregon's motorcycle riders, while promoting Motorcycle Safety, Education, Awareness, and Liberty through Legislative Action. HB 2598 would ament the current ORS 811.060, attempting to add motorcyclists and their passengers to the Vehicular Assault statute in place to protect bicyclists and pedestrians. Riders across Oregon hope this change in the law will help in ensuring the safety of motorcycle riders and their passengers in our great State.

We are naming this Bill after Milkman Mike Hamer. The issue of motorists walking away from an accident and injuring a motorcycle rider with little more that a moving violation ticket is the single most issue that brought Milkman Mike to the Salem Capital for so many years. I can still here his booming voice today " No More - Sorry Officer - I didn't see him"

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