

Dear Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary,

Thank you for taking the time to consider SB385, to allow operators of motorcycles or mopeds to travel between adjacent lanes of traffic traveling in same direction under certain circumstance, also known as 'Lane-Sharing'.

I strongly support this bill. I am a native Oregonian and have been a motorcyclist for over 25 years. I also spent four years living and commuting by motorcycle in California where lane-sharing was common. In my experience, in the frequent heavy traffic common there (and increasingly common here); I was much safer between cars , moving and maneuverable, rather than stopped and vulnerable to being rear-ended by distracted or speeding drivers. This is backed up by the 2015 UC Berkeley study on *Motorcycle Lane-Splitting and Safety*: (<http://www.ots.ca.gov/pdf/Publications/Motorcycle-Lane-Splitting-and-Safety-2015.pdf>). I encourage members of the committee to take some time to read the study, if you have not already, and to support this bill.

Thank you for your work,

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