



OREGON TRUCKING ASSOCIATIONS, INC.

Vote "Yes" on SB 532

March 28, 2017

The members of the Oregon Trucking Associations strongly support Senate Bill 532. We believe that it is a matter of highway safety.

Basically, the bill makes it unlawful for automobiles to hang out in the far left lane on freeways and other multilane highways with reasonable exceptions.

The same prohibition currently applies to trucks, campers and vehicles towing trailers.

What we see today is that frequently cars simply drive in the far left lane when it is unnecessary to do so. Other drivers become impatient with this behavior and begin weaving in and out of traffic in order to pass the discourteous driver occupying the far left lane.

This activity, by frustrated drivers, can easily lead to a traffic crash. It is particularly difficult for trucks because the driver trying to pass frequently passes trucks on the right side. It is more difficult for the truck driver to see a smaller vehicle passing on the right. This can easily lead to a crash and the driver that actually caused it, obviously continues down the highway in the far left lane.

In the interest of highway safety, the Oregon Trucking Associations respectfully requests that you vote in favor of Senate Bill 532.

Thank you,

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**From The Desk Of
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