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I support this Bill as a long time rider of over 25 years.

I have used a motorcycle for commuting for a majority of my life. Starting late in high school and continuing through to today. I first experienced lane sharing in the state of California while attending school in Los Angeles county. My only transportation was an old 250cc motorcycle. It's high fuel efficiency was extremely beneficial for my 45 mile commute each way. Lane sharing allowed me to take one more car out of the traffic helping to improve the already detrimental flow.

I experienced this even more during my 22 years in the Army and visited various cities around Europe. Commuters often opted for two wheeled transport through the heavily congested streets. There is something about seeing a fleet of scooters move in unison taking up the space that would have been occupied by only a couple cars.

The most revealing reason for the need in Oregon came one foggy morning during my commute to work on the I-5 between Grants Pass and Medford. I was stopped with traffic as it was backup by slow flow of on an on-ramp. As I sat waiting for my turn to exit the freeway I faintly heard the screeching of locked up brakes. Before I could turn my head to see where it was coming from, that car struck the vehicle behind me, pushing it in to the back of my bike, rotating it sideways and pinning the rear seat and tire to the car in front of me. I narrowly missed being between the two vehicles and walked away with just a couple bumps and bruises. I am glad that I've been trained place myself in a situation where I'm not centered between vehicles while stopped. However I could have avoided the situation altogether had I been allowed to flow smoothly up the line of traffic and get off of the freeway (and out of harms way).

I thank you for your time.