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Subject: Lane splitting reduces congestion, doesn't leave Motorcylists in dangerous gridlock

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Hi,

My name is Viet Pham and I've been riding motorcycles for 10 years. In my ten years I've discovered that in traffic especially in high volume traffic jams, you have to have a heightened sense of awareness and be flexible. That means preemptively choosing the lanes that have less traffic, to reduce congestion and to generally not crowd an area or lane. As a bicyclist and motorcyclist I never want to crowd up an area, especially in a fast lane that is constantly stopping and going abruptly. I work as a collision tech who repairs wrecked vehicles and I can assure you that almost all the repairs are front and rear end crashes. With all the modern distractions a driver has, I would more likely be safer and more comfortable in between lanes, staggered from cars then I would in front of a distracted driver.

Aside from our safety and well being on the road amongst these 5000 pound vehicles, splitting lanes also promotes environmental consciousness. The longer we sit in traffic the more emissions our vehicles produce. If we were allowed to split lanes at a reasonable speed to alleviate our jam and encourage efficiency, we can reduce the amount of pollution we emit on a daily basis.

This isn't radical, and it isn't new. It's strange to many here, I but it's been very effective for a very long time in many developed nations. Please consider supports this house bill 2314.

Thank you for your time,

Viet Pham

Sent from my iPhone