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As a motorcycle rider for 3 years now, I strongly support lane/traffic filtering when traffic slows down. I have seen many an article and study showing the most motorcycle vs car collisions are either cars violating the motorcycles right of way OR rear-ending the motorcycle. I have personally almost been hit from behind many time when Portland's abysmal traffic comes to a halt on a daily basis on the freeway. People barely paying attention or on their phone, they only glance up looking for large blobs (cars) and they don't see motorcycles. I feel as a motorcyclist I would be much safer riding between lanes of traffic. A motorcyclist is most vulnerable when stopped, a 500-1000 pound machine stopped between your legs is hard to control but when moving it is very easy to maneuver through cars and since we sit up high we can see any problems coming much faster than someone in a car just able to see the back of the car in front. I would also like to point out that California has legalized it with great success and most of Europe and Asia have it or allow it and it works excellent there too. Another thing to consider is during the summer on a 100 degree day if I have to stop on the freeway that 100 degree heat radiates off the asphalt and hit my from the top as well and bakes me alive, think of it like this, if every time your car stopped moving your air conditioning stopped working until you were going over 30MPH again. That is how it is for motorcycles, us moving is our air conditioning, there is no roof over our heads to hide us from the sun. In closing I hope you will pass lane filtering for the safety of all motorcycles.

Thank you, Jeff W