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 HB2314

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I'm writing to request your support for HB2314 as a motorcyclists on the streets in Portland.

Having been a daily motorcycle commuter in Oregon for more than ten years time I have been witness to and near victim of many near collisions. In my opinion following the guidelines of HB2314 would have greatly eliminated most all of those situations. The majority of the near collisions I've had were the result of a driver behind and in the lane adjacent to the one i'm occupying seeing a gap in traffic and trying to seize the movement opportunity. All of the near misses were avoided by having to apply a concerning level of focus to objects in the two small rear view mirrors motorcycles are equipped with. With having the legal freedom to slowly filter through near stopped traffic it will keep those decisions of a frustrate motorist from negatively impacting my life. It will enable more of my focus to be on my most dominant field of vision providing much improved safety and reactions to potential negative scenarios.

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