

As a life long motorcycle rider, I urge the Committee to approve SB 574. Such flexibility is safer for the rider and can help reduce congestion on our already over loaded roads. Most of the world and at least 2 US States have provisions for lane sharing. There is substantial research supporting the increased safety element and with the increase of distracted drivers, having the option to move out of the "squish zone" is essential for rider safety.

We all realize that to be fully effective, public education is key -- along with enforcement against reckless usage of lane sharing.

Thank you for your support.