

I wholeheartedly support motorcycle lane splitting and believe it should be allowed in Oregon. I've personally experienced lane splitting in the UK and across Europe and I know how it helps motorcycles to extricate themselves from hazardous and potentially dangerous congestion.

Motorcycles do not operate like cars and do not like to sit and idle for extended periods of time, especially on hot, Summer days. Motorcycle engines can be damaged as they overheat, especially engines that are air cooled. In addition, motorcycles do not have automatic gear boxes and clutches that are designed to be feathered in constant, prolonged, slow stop and go traffic. Rider fatigue from trying to creep forwards by feathering the clutch and gears can set in very quickly! It is a dangerous hazard for motorcyclist that can cause accidents. Lane splitting lessens the dangers. Please allow lane splitting in Oregon.