As an aerospace engineer that needs to commute from East Portland to Beaverton through our notoriously heavy traffic, as soon to be father who would like to be with my children instead of stuck in my car, and as and law abiding, safety conscious motorcyclist, I support SB574 as an economically prudent solution to help address the manifold costs and consequences of our overburdened transportation infrastructure. I appreciate that allowing lane filtering feels radical, but as many have pointed out, it is an effective practice in California and many nations around the world. I and many others would become one less car queued and idling car in front of other commuters. Additionally, I think it is worth considering that the presence of more motorcyclists in the metro area would serve remind car drivers that motorcyclists are a part of our roads, which may actually drive down the all too common carmotorcycle accidents despite more miles being logged by motorcyclists.

Thank you for your consideration, James Luce