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I am in full support of this bill. As a motorcyclist of 44 years, it's hard to overstate the importance of providing motorcyclists with options for preserving their safety. Though it may seem counterintuitive, having the option of splitting a lane can mean the difference between an accident and a non-event. Will there be abusers of the law, if passed? Absolutely. But that's true of nearly any law or regulation (speed limits, turn signal usage, Federally-mandated safety regulations like bumper height, etc.). Please allow Oregon motorcyclists the ability to add this to their defensive riding toolkit, while also cutting down on carbon emissions and the clogging of our roads.