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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation
Measure: SB422

Dear Oregon State Legislature,

I am writing in support of Senate Bill 422, which would legalize lane splitting for motorcycles in Oregon. I am a motorcycle rider myself, and I have experienced the benefits of lane splitting firsthand.

Lane splitting is the practice of riding a motorcycle between lanes of traffic that is stopped or moving slowly. It is legal in many countries around the world, including California, where it has been legal since 2012.

There are many benefits to lane splitting. First, it can help to improve safety for motorcyclists. When motorcycles are stopped in traffic, they are more likely to be rear-ended by cars. Lane splitting allows motorcyclists to move forward and out of the way of traffic, which can help to prevent accidents.

Second, lane splitting can help to reduce congestion. When motorcycles are able to lane split, they can move through traffic more quickly than cars. This can help to keep traffic flowing more smoothly and reduce delays for everyone.

Third, lane splitting can save motorcyclists time and money. When motorcycles are able to lane split, they can get to their destination faster. This can save them time and money on gas and tolls.

I urge you to support Senate Bill 422. Lane splitting is a safe, efficient, and time-saving practice that can benefit motorcyclists and drivers alike.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Shane Bowers