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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2963

Dear Joint Committee on Transportation,

I am writing in support of HB 2963 to make purchasing e-bikes more affordable. This bill would help many households struggling to make ends meet by making the use of an e-bike a viable alternative to owning a car. A friend of mine recently had car trouble and had to save up in order to get it fixed. Now he is saving up again to renew its registration. Luckily, he can walk to work, but many others aren't in that position. Having an e-bike would alleviate financial stress and hardship associated with the maintenance and use of cars. If more people used e-bikes, traffic congestion would also be greatly alleviated, including localized pollution and its attendant health effects. E-bike use is also one part of the answer to reducing carbon emissions.

Finally, encouraging the use of e-bikes will have a positive effect on people's overall health and mental well-being as they interact more with their environment and fellow citizens.

Thank you for voting 'yes' on HB 2963. It will help to create the kind of society I and many others want to live in!

Sincerely, Kirsten Davis