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Chair McClain, Vice-Chair Davis and Members of the Committee,  
I am the owner and user of a bicycle with electric assist. If I was going down hill with  
full power I might be able to reach 25 mph. I always wear a helmet when I ride my  
bike anywhere.

My main concern is for those folks who buy more powerful e-bikes or e-scooters who  
don't wear helmets and travel consistently at speeds of 20 mph or more. Any  
accident under those circumstances would cause a catastrophic injury yet there is no  
enforcement of speed, traffic, or helmet laws that are already on the books so I am  
not sure how any new legislation can remedy this situation.

One other item that is concern for me is that my insurance company considers my  
bike as a moped so insurance for just one year is over \$ 1,400. Yet Oregon law  
considers my bike as a bike and not a moped. I hope that there is something you  
can do to address this situaiton.