



In support of HB 4007 (Safe Rides)

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Dear Chair and Members of the Committee,

My name is Franklin Jones. I am the CEO and Founder of B-Line Urban Delivery in Portland. We operate electric cargo trikes and other zero emission micromobility vehicles for last mile delivery. Our riders are on Oregon streets every day, in the exact conditions these laws are meant to address.

As the founder of B-Line, I support HB 4007 because it creates clear, consistent standards for powered micromobility that improve safety, compliance, and enforcement statewide.

First, HB 4007 defines “powered micromobility device” and aligns core rules so riders, families, businesses, and law enforcement are working from the same playbook. That clarity helps reduce confusion on mixed use streets.

Second, HB 4007 standardizes helmet requirements for youth under 16 across small devices and clarifies age requirements for e-bikes and motor assisted scooters. Those guardrails matter in real life. They reduce preventable injuries while keeping micromobility accessible for everyday transportation.

Third, the bill targets the biggest safety risks we see: devices marketed as legal e-bikes or scooters that do not meet Oregon definitions, and uncertified batteries and chargers. Creating consequences for improper sales practices and requiring accredited testing lab certification and labeling helps protect consumers and reduces fire risk.

Micromobility is not a novelty for our business and we recognize the sector as a key element of Oregon's transportation infrastructure. HB 4007 helps Oregon keep micromobility safe, enforceable, and scalable for families, riders, and businesses operating responsibly.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of HB 4007.

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