Dear Joint Committee On Transportation members,

I am writing in support of HB2314. The reason is simple: All questions of motor vehicle safety and what should be allowed or not needs to be examined with one basic assumption in mind:

"The normally careful and competent actions of a reasonable person should be considered legal."

When performed within the parameters of this bill the answer is 'Yes', a normally careful and competent motorcyclist can safely filter though congested traffic. Clearly this is true as it happens all over the world already with no net decrease in rider safety. All of the questions regarding hazards such as lane-changing cars becomes moot when examining the issue through this lens: The actions of the motorcyclist are still safe and a filtering motorcyclist is in no more danger than he already was just by being on the road in the first place.

Please ask yourself this question when considering your vote on this bill.

Sincerely,

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