I am writing today in support of HB2314.

I have been a motorcycle rider for almost 30 years and a professional in the motorcycle industry for 25. In this time, I have ridden innumerable miles primarily in three states; Colorado, California and Oregon.

Whether riding for pleasure, or commuting, I have never felt as safe on a motorcycle, in traffic, as I did in California. I attribute this to California's lane sharing law.

Also, although not scientific data, during my 25 years of working in motorcycle service shops, in three different states, I can confidently say that both first hand accounts of customers being rear-ended on motorcycles and the number of motorcycles in my shop for rear end damage were/are commonplace in Colorado and Oregon, but virtually nonexistent in California. I attribute this to California's lane sharing law as well.

Oregon has been my home for the last 14 years and will continue to be for the foreseeable future. For the safety of my friends, family and customers, it is my hope that we will adopt sensible lane sharing laws like the ones in California. HB2314 is a good start and I appreciate your consideration of it today.

Best Regards, Daric Cheshire