I am writing to ask that you support HB2314, allowing motorcycles to "lane split" or drive between lanes when traffic is slow or stopped. The benefits are numerous, and the disadvantages are essentially non-existent. California, as well as most other countries in the world allow motorcycles to lane split like this.

## Among the advantages:

Enhanced safety for motorcyclists. Motorcyclists are extremely vulnerable to distracted drivers, which are becoming more and more of a problem on our streets. Allowing motorcycles to split lanes protects them from being rear-ended by a car, which often ends in the death of the motorcyclist.

Reduced traffic congestion. Lane splitting removes motorcycles from the lines of traffic, reducing traffic and delays for all users of the road.

Environmental benefits. Reducing traffic reduces the amount of time each vehicle spends operating, which in turn, lowers the amount of pollution they produce.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Kevin