Dear Committee Members;

I hope that you will support HB2314. This bill will help reduce traffic congestion in metropolitan Portland, where I travel on I-84 and I-5. It will encourage motorcyclists to ride carefully and move toward their final destinations in an expedient manner. The bill will offer motorcyclists the respect of riding without hindered efforts. Motorcyclists will, in turn, respect rights of all drivers of all vehicles to move toward their destinations in a safe manner.

I'm a 65 year-old motorcyclist with no accidents or traffic infractions. I may choose to share a lane with the passage of this bill and keep some elements of traffic moving. On the other hand, I may choose not to share a lane. This is a choice that I may have at my discretion if the bill is passed.

Without this bill, traffic will not be improved. I may sit in traffic during hot days in my idling truck contributing to the carbon dioxide polluting the air simply because I don't want to sit in traffic on my motorcycle with the sun on my back and my head sweating inside my helmet.

Please support HB2314 for the sake of the motorcyclists and the environment.

Perry Rikli