

I am a former school teacher who has volunteered much time encouraging students to walk or bike to school. I have done this because I have witnessed an enormous rise in obesity during my 25 years of teaching among these kids. During school wide promotions of biking the biggest impediment to participating was parental approval. They often felt it "wasn't safe" to bike to school.

Being a bicyclist myself, I know what they mean. It often is not safe due to the road conditions and driver fury.

This opportunity, SB 395, to increase funding for road projects which will enhance safety for cycling and walking is desperately needed. I support this legislation getting out of committee and onto the floor for discussion (and enacting).

Sincerely,
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