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I learned to ride a motorcycle when I was living in Portland, Oregon, but then lived in California for 15 years before moving back to Portland. I normally commuted by motorcycle in California, and currently commute by motorcycle in Portland whenever the weather allows. Lane-sharing is legal in California, and so I have 15 years of experience with motorcycle lane sharing there, and about 10 years of experience riding, but not being able to lane-share in Oregon. In my experience, allowing motorcycle lane sharing is not only more efficient for all commuters, but is also safer for all commuters, and the peer-reviewed research studies that I've read about motorcycle safety support the conclusions that I have drawn from personal experience. Please improve the safety of our transportation and our transportation-related quality of life in Oregon by passing SB 422.