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Please support Lane Sharing HB 442

Pre-covid year, I was caught in a long-weekend traffic jam on I5 and Hwy 217. It was in the 90's, I was dressed in protective gear, sitting amongst hundreds of idling vehicles. My bike began to sputter and pop from lack of air flow, I pulled into the emergency lane and wondered what I could possibly do as it was illegal to move. That scenario will clog traffic even longer and further should I decided to sputter out and die in the lane (a safer place, the emergency lanes are dirty and I rely on the only two tires I have, a flat could be fatal).

In a traffic jam, a car feels comfortable pulling tight alongside me, it does not make me feel comfortable as they encroach into my safe space.

Drivers as well as riders would benefit with lane sharing. SB 442 could ease traffic congestion, and certainly ease the chances of accidents, break downs and further stalling of traffic.