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On Behalf Of:

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I am a motorcyclist who commutes to work every day on my motorcycle. I wear full gear every time I ride, and I abide by traffic laws every day. I ride defensively and safely, and have been doing so for the past 20 years that I've been a rider. After having spent hundreds, if not thousands, of hours riding on the roads of Oregon, I can say with absolute certainty that having the option to legally lane splitting could potentially save my life. The number of close calls I've had with cars nearly rear-ending me while I'm stopped in traffic is more than I can count. And if passing this measure saves the life of even one rider, then it is worth passing without hesitation. Thank you for your time and consideration.