

I support SB 422 as a wife my husband commutes on his motorcycle. I support this for the following reasons. Please pass SB 422

- Increases motorcycle's visibility and takes them out of car drivers' "blind spot." A motorcyclist who is lane sharing can be seen in a

car driver's sideview mirror at all times.

And a motorcycle that is moving, when surrounding traffic is stopped, is more conspicuous

and visible. In places where lane sharing is legal drivers become more likely to look for, and be aware of, motorcycles.

- Gives motorcycles more maneuverability for accident avoidance. Lane sharing positions motorcyclists in open road, rather than

being directly behind a vehicle, this gives them a path ahead to avoid hazards.

- Lane sharing increases motorcyclists' "line of sight." Being on open road means a better opportunity to see ahead to predict and avoid hazards.

- In the event of a crash, a motorcycle that is lane sharing is more likely to have a "glancing" blow to the vehicle rather than a direct hit. Such accidents are less severe because the motorcycle rider can keep moving forward rather than stopping instantly. The motorcycle rider is also more likely to remain upright.

- Keeps motorcycle riders moving, which reduces fatigue both from heat and from constant stop & go operation of the motorcycle's controls (the vast majority of motorcycles have manual transmissions and require

exertion and dexterity to operate the controls).

Thank you for your consideration.

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