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Hello, My name is Joe and I'm an avid motorcycle rider from Gresham. I commute to work on my motorcycle as much as possible. It saves me money on gas and insurance. It's also exceptionally dangerous sitting in traffic. A great way to alleviate that danger would be to allow low-speed lane sharing. Most mornings and evenings I could safely pass between very slow-moving cars so no one could rear-end me. This bill would allow me to get to work and get home to my family safely. It will also help alleviate pollution. I wouldn't be sitting there idling my motorcycle in traffic not going anywhere. All vehicles get 0 mpg while sitting in traffic. This bill can also help alleviate congestion by allowing me to take up one less spot where a car can fit. This would also encourage motorcycle commuting. If 10% of car drivers rode motorcycles traffic would be reduced by 40%. If 25% rode we wouldn't have congestion. This information is from a Belgian study in 2012.