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Having lived and spent hundreds of hours commuting in California by motorcycle, I absolutely support the approval of lane splitting in Oregon.

Lane splitting allows all commuters to arrive sooner, because there are that many less cars on the road. It acts as an incentive to have more people use motorcycles. It keeps motorcyclists safer. When I was not allowed to be lane splitting I have been rear ended and nearly run over 3 times. It prevents motorcycles in bad traffic from having to shut off their motorcycle to cool down or the motorcycle could damage the engine. Motorcycles stopping would cause more issues with safety and delays.

Many countries around the world understand the benefits of lane splitting and filtering to the front at traffic lights. Why doesn't the U.S. understand it?

Education and enforcement need to still be provided as always to keep everyone safe.

Thank you for your consideration.