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As a long time motorcyclist I believe passage of this legislation is long overdue. Lane filtering increases the safety of motorcyclists by allowing us to smoothly move through congested areas. As others have testified, the U.C. Berkeley study has show this to be a safe practice. As someone who has lane filtered I can assure you that there is usually plenty of room to smoothly and safely maneuver through congested traffic. Motorcyclists must be constantly vigilant to ensure their safety as vulnerable roadway users. Lane filtering provides another tool to aid in this vigilance.

Automobiles are given a disproportionately large amount of space on our roadways for their typical single occupant. Motorcyclists are asking to be allowed to go around these cars. Please let us decide when this is the safer choice for us without fear of breaking the law.