

IDAHO MOTORCYCLE SAFETY & LANE FILTERING ACT

PETITION FOR SAFE, RESPONSIBLE MOTORCYCLE LANE FILTERING

To the Idaho Legislature and Governor of Idaho:

We, the undersigned citizens and residents of Idaho, respectfully petition the Idaho Legislature to enact legislation establishing safe and responsible motorcycle lane filtering in Idaho.

Motorcyclists are particularly vulnerable when stopped in congested traffic. Allowing a motorcycle to carefully move between lanes of stopped or slow-moving traffic can reduce a rider's exposure to rear-end collisions, improve traffic efficiency, and provide a predictable alternative to remaining stationary between larger vehicles.

We respectfully request legislation allowing lane filtering when:

Traffic is stopped or moving slowly in the same direction.

The motorcycle operates at a limited, reasonable speed appropriate to surrounding traffic.

The maneuver can be completed safely and without endangering or interfering with other road users.

The motorcycle travels in the same direction as other traffic.

Roadway, weather, visibility, and traffic conditions reasonably permit the maneuver.

Motorcyclists remain responsible for operating their motorcycles safely and obeying all other applicable traffic laws.

OUR POSITION

We support reasonable safety requirements and enforcement. This petition does not support reckless riding, excessive speed, aggressive maneuvering, or forcing other motorists to yield.

We believe Idaho should establish clear rules that allow responsible motorcycle lane filtering while protecting the safety and rights of all roadway users.

WE ASK THE IDAHO LEGISLATURE TO:

Introduce, consider, and pass legislation legalizing safe and responsible motorcycle lane filtering under clearly defined conditions.

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As of 2026, there are six states with laws allowing some form of motorcycle lane filtering or lane splitting:

Arizona — Lane filtering under specific conditions; generally stopped traffic, roads posted 45 mph or less, motorcycle limited to 15 mph.

Colorado — Lane filtering through stopped traffic, with the motorcycle limited to 15 mph and sufficient room to pass safely. Colorado's law took effect August 7, 2024.

Minnesota — Lane filtering became legal July 1, 2025, with somewhat broader rules than most other states.

Montana — Lane filtering is allowed when traffic is stopped or moving 10 mph or less, with motorcycles limited to 20 mph.

Utah — Lane filtering is permitted under specific conditions, generally involving stopped traffic, roads posted 45 mph or less, and motorcycles traveling no faster than 15 mph.

California — California is different: it permits lane splitting, including between moving traffic, rather than merely the more restrictive filtering laws adopted by the other five states.