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## Media Release – For Immediate Release:

### **Motorcycle Lane Filtering is Legal**

The Victorian Motorcycle Council and motorcycle and scooter riders throughout Victoria welcome the start of legal Motorcycle Lane Filtering.

The Hon Luke Donnellan - Minister for Road Safety and VicRoads are congratulated for implementing lane filtering which both improves rider safety and helps reduce traffic congestion to the benefit of all road users.

Coupled with footpath parking and a comprehensive City of Melbourne motorcycle plan, Victoria is now a leading motorcycling state where motorcycles and scooters are encouraged as a legitimate transport choice and as part of transport policy.

“It made no sense that riders were penalised for using their vehicle’s small foot print to both improve their safety and make progress through traffic,” said VMC Chair Rob Salvatore. “Now filtering will be an expressly legal activity that will help to maximise the efficient use of our limited road resource for the benefit of all road users.”

Joining NSW, QLD and the ACT and many other jurisdictions around the world, Victorian motorcycle and scooter riders can now legally take advantage of their smaller footprint, improving their safety and better sharing the roads with all other road users.

Road safety is a shared responsibility

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#### **Background:**

VMC is Victoria’s peak motorcycling advocacy body and is a member of Australia’s peak motorcycling body, the Australian Motorcycle Council. For more information regarding this press release or the VMC, please call:

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