



Michigan House of Representatives
Michigan House Transportation Committee
State of Michigan
P.O. Box 30014
Lansing, MI 48909-7514

June 15, 2010

RE: COMPLETE STREETS, H.B. 6151 and 6152

Dear Committee Members,

CycleSafe, Inc. has been a provider of engineered innovative bicycle parking solutions to promote walking and bicycling in cities for over 30 years. The intent of this letter is to voice support for the proposed Complete Streets legislation, H.B. 6151 and 6152. Complete Streets will ensure that roadways accommodate all users, regardless of age or ability and promote safe, liveable and healthy communities.

Improper planning results in inadequate roadside infrastructure. Streets without safe places to walk, bicycle or ride public transit endangers bicyclists/pedestrians and encourages automobile use. Passing Complete Streets legislation will reduce the threat of injuries and crashes, and will create safer roadways to encourage members of our community to bicycle/walk and utilize public transit.

Complete streets will increase accessibility to local shops and increase commerce for community businesses, enhance community health and fitness, recreation and tourism. This would also boost sales for our products, which include bicycle lockers, shelters and racks. We are a Michigan based business, utilizing Michigan vendors and are committed to the local economy in our state.

We strongly support and encourage these bills as a pathway towards interactive, healthy and sustainable communities. Automobile emissions produce the highest levels of carbon emissions threatening our environment. Bicycling as a means of enhancing communities with active modes of transit has been identified as the top priority worldwide for conserving natural resources.

Sincerely,

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