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This e-mail has been sent on behalf of Ms Alison Clarke, at [REDACTED]. They can be contacted by phone a [REDACTED] or by e-mail at [REDACTED] content of their submission is below.

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I have been cycling on Melbourne's roads since 1986, and also drive a car.

It's not enough to say cars and trucks must leave a "safe passing distance" when overtaking bikes.

Some drivers think 20cm is safe. Being overtaken like that is terrifying.

If you can't measure it, you can't manage it. We need a proper, measurable, enforceable definition.

Drivers will soon understand the new rule if it's well publicised.

When bike riding is safer, more people will do it. That will be good for their health and the health budget, and our city's congestion and air.