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Comments: I use an ebike as my only mode of transportation. Currently, to reach places such as Frederick, MD, I am not allowed to ride on RT 340. There is no path or sidewalk or anything to allow me to get safely to work. The glass from drunkards and the wood from wrecks is not even cleaned up on a regular basis! I am forced to make use of bicycle routes etc. I am extremely cautious and environmentally conscious as I journey these paths. It is an amazing experience to be cruising along in the middle of nature, and to be able to reach places I never would have dreamed of on foot. The area I live in caters to outdoor activities like hiking, biking and even rafting, and it would seem to me that governmental agencies would want to encourage more interest in their national parks, and ebikes allow many more people to do that. I would encourage you and your constituents to deeply consider the positive possibilities, if appropriate regulations are put in place, just as they are now for hikers, bikers etc, to allow non-polluting, electrically assisted vehicles access so long as it would not result in permanent damage. Thank you for your time.