

Ministry of Transportation
Provincial Planning Branch
777 Bay Street
Toronto, ON M7A 2JA

November 19, 2025

Re: [ERO 025-1071](#)

The City of Mississauga has reviewed the proposed legislative changes shared through the above listed registry posting and would like to provide the following comments and suggestions for your consideration.

Description of Changes and Comments to the Province

Summary of Proposed Provincial Changes	Staff Comments on Potential City Impacts / Comment to Province
<p>The change would prohibit municipalities from reducing motor vehicle lanes when installing, implementing or marking new bicycle lanes.</p> <p>The amendments would also create regulation-making authorities to allow the Minister to prescribe additional prohibited activities and to provide exemptions from the prohibition.</p> <p>Finally, amendments would provide the Minister with greater discretion when determining municipal reimbursement for the existing bicycle lane review framework (related to requested information and support).</p>	<p>Except as permitted by regulations, a municipality cannot reduce or permit the reduction of motor vehicle lanes for a bicycle lane and for any other prescribed purpose. It is unclear what process if any may be put into place to identify those highways or bicycle lanes which may be permitted by regulation. A complete prohibition on motor vehicle lane reductions for a bicycle lane or any purpose will result in much slower and more costly cycling network expansion in growing cities, limiting transportation choice and safe mobility options for residents. Local context must be considered when making planning and engineering decisions. A blanket prohibition does not consider local context.</p>

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Amina Menkad, Planner at (905) 615-3200 ext. 5545.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ben Phillips". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ben" and last name "Phillips" clearly distinguishable.

Ben Phillips
Executive Manager, Official Plan

cc. Leadership Team
Jason Bevan, Director, City Planning Strategies
Lia Magi, Deputy City Solicitor