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To: [Carroll, John \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Comment re: File #260359 (Uncertified Lithium-Ion Battery Ban)
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I submit the following comment regarding file 260359 ("Uncertified Lithium-Ion Battery Ban"), introduced by Supervisor Mahmood to the Land Use and Transportation Committee:

The risk and consequences of fires from damaged and faulty batteries of all types is a real engineering and structural challenge driven by an even more complex economic and social inequality problem. I don't dispute the validity of Supervisor Mahmood's concerns. However, I object to trying to solve complex problems by banning the effect without examining the entire system, or by imposing the cost of a solution on the most vulnerable people involved in a problem. Delivery workers are poorly paid and after the gig companies bought Prop 22, SF is constrained in its abilities to compel them to fix that. UL certification will raise the price of their bikes and batteries, which penalizes the gig workers for a problem they did not create. It will displace even more of them from zero-carbon ebikes onto gas-burning mopeds, which worsen street level hazards (more serious injuries, conflicts between mopeds and bikes). If you intend to regulate the batteries, you should look to offset the costs and encourage more sustainable structures. Useful examples are happening now in New York City, which has the same problem but approached it by providing safer on-curb charging, "Deliverista Hubs" with charging lockers, battery swaps and other services.

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Thank you for your comment letter.

I am forwarding your comments to the members of the Land Use and Transportation committee, and I will include your comments in the file for this ordinance matter.

I invite you to review the entire matter on our [Legislative Research Center](#) by following the link below:

- [Board of Supervisors File No. 260359](#)

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