

Dear House rules committee,

I have been a life-long bicycle commuter, in multiple towns in Oregon and for the last 29 years in Corvallis. Despite the above-average infrastructure found in many of our towns, the participation rate of people on bikes is too low. We need to do more to get people out of their cars and safely using alternative transportation.

This bill not only makes cycling more efficient and more attractive by allowing bicycle commuters to use stops as yields, it makes car traffic flow more efficiently by reducing the amount of cars need to wait for bicycles to get going and through an intersection, and it makes traffic safer for bicyclists by giving them more ability to maneuver away from inattentive drivers. A study of the Idaho stop, which has been in place since 1982, indicates no increase in injury rates since passage.

It's time for the Oregon Stop! Please move this bill to the floor so that it can be passed and enacted.

Thank you for considering my views.

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