

As a long time Oregon bike rider and bike club ride leader, I strongly support Oregon's version of the Idaho Stop bill, SB 998. I believe this law would codify an ubiquitous and safe practice already practiced by most cyclists. For example, the (thankfully) only bike accident I've had in the past 15 years was caused by difficulty clipping into the pedals when starting from a stop sign. This is especially a risk with an organized group of bike riders who typically move en masse through a controlled intersection.

For this and other reasons, I implore the House to pass SB 998 as an efficient and safe measure for Oregon bicyclists.

Regards,
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