

Hi there!

My name is Chris McCraw and I live in Portland (6446 NE Cleveland, 97211) and I write today in support of SB 998. I'm a cyclist in Portland (and the rest of Oregon sometimes too :) and I love this law! The stats from other locations that have implemented it show no increase in injuries - see this study from Idaho in 2010: <https://bikeportland.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/idaho-law-jasonmeggs-2010version-2.pdf>

Why is this important to me? I stop at all traffic signals - even at 3am. Sometimes that means pulling my bike onto the sidewalk to push a button to get the signal to change, even when there is no other traffic around (yes, I do ride at 3am fairly often) For this and the other reasons shown in this video created by a local advocate:

<https://vimeo.com/4140910>

...I think the new law would be a great idea!

Thanks for your consideration.