

Committee Members,

Thank you for your time and dedication to service,

I'm writing you today to ask you to support this bill. Speed cameras are an effective and proven to be equitable form of traffic speed enforcement.

They have proved effective in reducing dangerous speeding where they have been in place and used around the Portland metro , not only in this city but Beaverton has an effective photo enforcement toolkit. In Portland corridors with cameras there has been an average of 71% decrease in driving over the speed limit and 94% decrease in driving more than 10 mph over the speed limit.

Portland Police have disbanded our traffic division the city needs as many tools as possible to stave off the now three year wave of traffic violence that had killed one person every week on Portland roads since the start of 2019. This is a serious issue and speeding is the number one cause of car crashes by any Oregon transportation agency's own admittance. Traffic violence and car crashes are the only top three cause of death for every age group from 1-100. This doesn't need to be a fact of life.

In terms of equity, this bill can drastically reduce incidents of racial profiling in traffic stops and other bias can be removed from the decisions of pulling over and ticketing speeding vehicles.

This is a technological tool for the twenty first century to make it easier for agencies to make and keep roads safe for all oregonians.

Thank you for your time, your consideration and your service,

-Paul