

**REVENUE: No revenue impact**

**FISCAL: No fiscal impact**

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass
<b>Vote:</b>	6 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Edwards, Girod, Monroe, Starr, Thomsen, Beyer
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	5/13

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Permits waste collection vehicles to stop, stand or park to collect solid waste, recyclable material or yard debris.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Warning lights required when stopping in roadway
- Allows continuation of current practices

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** Under current law, “waste collection vehicles” are not lawfully permitted to stop in the lane of traffic, to receive right of way, or to otherwise impede the flow of traffic in order to collect garbage, recyclable materials or yard debris. Though these collection vehicles, and other vehicles associated with waste collection activities, regularly stop or park to collect these materials and are customarily granted right of way, they have no statutory standing to do so.

House Bill 3266 was submitted in response to an incident in Crook County in December 2012 where a collection vehicle was engaged in routine refuse collection when it was struck by a passenger vehicle. Upon investigation, law enforcement informed the collection company that the vehicle’s actions were illegal. No formal written citations were issued in the case. House Bill 3266 addresses this issue by granting clear statutory authority for such vehicles to stop in a lane of traffic, receive right of way or impede the flow of traffic as part of the normal business of refuse collection, provided that the proper warning flashers are displayed while doing so.