

Hi,

I strongly encourage you to support the proposed Idaho Stop bill. This is a very common sense bill which will allow cyclists to proceed through a stop sign after slowing enough to safely look and make certain there is no oncoming traffic.

I have been commuting to the office by bicycle for more than thirty years. I have served on the Lane County Roads Advisory Committee, the Central Lane Metropolitan Policy Organizations Transportation Advisory Committee, the Springfield Bicycle Advisory Committee, and the Eugene Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee. I have also raised two daughters to be safe cyclist.

The bicycle is a very practical and efficient form of transportation in Oregon. Encouraging cycling for transportation is a way to reduce demand on our transportation system and reduce the need for expensive infrastructure expansion Oregon does not have the funding to afford. Having to stop and put your foot down at every intersection is a deterrent to cycling as transportation in urban areas because of the loss of efficiency in both time and energy.

I encourage you to support this proposed bill. It is common sense policy for Oregon's transportation system efficiency.

Thank you,

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