

To: Senate Committee on Judiciary

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RE: Opposition to SB1510 (Page #3)

Headline: Traffic Stops for minor traffic violation results in capture of murder suspect.

Synopsis: Senate Bill 1510 removes the ability for Law Enforcement to conduct traffic stops for certain violations in the hopes to address racial disparity. The Oregon Criminal Justice Commission recently released traffic stop data showing possible disparities and the OCJC was not ready to make a recommendation at this time merely saying the data required "further analysis." (*"Researchers, however, only called for further scrutiny of data that showed disparities in two or more statistical models; OPB"*) Traffic stops time and time again have been proven to be a valuable tool for road safety, pedestrian safety, and crime fighting. Below, and attached in other written testimony you will see the result of successful criminal investigations due to minor infraction traffic stops.

- **Police officer in Texas stops vehicle for minor traffic violation and results in capture of murder suspect.**
 - **10/05/2021** (<https://www.fox2detroit.com/news/genoa-township-murder-suspect-arrested-in-texas>)



Michigan murder suspect arrested after traffic stop in Texas leads to discovery of woman's body

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FOX 2 - A murder suspect in the case of a body found in Genoa Township has been taken into custody in Texas, according to Livingston County authorities in a release.

A felony complaint has been issued to Brandon Eric Wilson for one count of homicide-open murder.

On Oct. 4, Wilson was stopped in Texas for a traffic violation and "made statements" to police that led to a welfare check at a Genoa Township residence.

It was there that a woman's body was discovered by Livingston County Sheriff's deputies.

Wilson, who is in custody in Texas, will be returned to Livingston County and an arrest warrant has been authorized.

As the investigation continues, anyone with information regarding the case is asked to contact Det. Jake Fairbanks in the Livingston County Sheriff's Department at (517) 540-7956.

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Recommendation: Oppose SB1510

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