

Hello,

I'm a cyclist and car driver who lives in SE Portland. I very much support the SB 998 "stop" law, and I urge you to pass it.

Specifically, I'm interested in this law because it's a pattern I see happening already among many drivers on our streets. I think many cyclists roll through or treat stop signs as yields already because it feels bad to lose all momentum at an empty intersection.

This is not to say I think any action people take should be legalized, but in my daily life I think I see a majority of people (cycle and car drivers) roll through stop signs. And if it is a majority, I think it's important to start questioning the relevant laws.

The one intersection in Portland that's very clear in my mind as a problem is Ladd Circle. I understand part of the argument about why that intersection has stop signs instead of yield signs, but I also see real drivers roll through those signs every single day.

Anyway, not to belabor the point, but I support SB 998 and I hope you do too.

Thanks for your time,

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