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**BILL REQUEST - CODE REVISER'S OFFICE**

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BILL REQ. #: S-1303.1/15

ATTY/TYPIST: BP:eab

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Allowing bicycles to stop and proceed through  
traffic control signals under certain conditions.

1 AN ACT Relating to allowing bicycles to stop and proceed through  
2 traffic control signals under certain conditions; and amending RCW  
3 46.61.184.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 46.61.184 and 2014 c 167 s 1 are each amended to  
6 read as follows:

7 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the  
8 operator of a bicycle or street legal motorcycle approaching an  
9 intersection, including a left turn intersection, that is controlled  
10 by a triggered traffic control signal using a vehicle detection  
11 device that is inoperative due to the size or composition of the  
12 bicycle or street legal motorcycle shall come to a full and complete  
13 stop at the intersection. If the traffic control signal, including  
14 the left turn signal, as appropriate, fails to operate after one  
15 cycle of the traffic signal, the operator may, after exercising due  
16 care, proceed directly through the intersection or proceed to turn  
17 left, as appropriate. It is not a defense to a violation of RCW  
18 46.61.050 that the (~~driver~~) operator of a bicycle or motorcycle  
19 proceeded under the belief that a traffic control signal used a  
20 vehicle detection device or was inoperative due to the size or  
21 composition of the bicycle or motorcycle when the signal did not use

1 a vehicle detection device or that any such device was not in fact  
2 inoperative due to the size or composition of the bicycle or  
3 motorcycle. For purposes of this section, "bicycle" includes a  
4 bicycle, as defined in RCW 46.04.071, and an electric-assisted  
5 bicycle, as defined in RCW 46.04.169.

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