



January 16, 2026

Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee  
2 East Miller Senate Office Building  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

## **SUPPORT: SB0155 Bicyclist Start on Leading Pedestrian Interval**

Bikemore, Baltimore City's livable streets advocacy organization representing more than 8,000 advocates and the 30% of Baltimoreans who lack access to a car, is writing to support SB0155, permitting bicyclists to use leading pedestrian intervals.

In Baltimore City, all separated bicycle infrastructure already instructs bicyclists to use pedestrian signals - and pedestrian signals along our bicycle infrastructure include leading pedestrian intervals. This has had no negative impact on safety. **On the contrary, where bicyclists are instructed to use leading pedestrian signals in Baltimore City, crashes involving bicyclists, pedestrians, and automobiles have dropped.**

This legislation would simply clarify that this safer intersection movement is permitted by bicyclists regardless of present signage - reducing infrastructure costs while improving safety for all roadway users.

We encourage you to support SB0155, bringing the safety benefits we've seen in Baltimore City to the rest of the state.

Sincerely,

**Jed Weeks**  
Executive Director