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By:  Alvarado S.B. No. 2506

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to allowing a bicyclist to treat certain traffic-control devices as a yield sign.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1.  Subchapter B, Chapter 551, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Sections 551.108 and 551.109 to read as follows:

Sec. 551.108.  BICYCLIST APPROACHING STOP SIGN. The provisions of Sections 544.010(a) and 545.151(a) applicable to stop signs do not apply to a person operating a bicycle. A person operating a bicycle shall comply with the provisions of Section 545.153 applicable to yield signs when approaching an intersection or a railroad crossing with a stop sign.

Sec. 551.109.  BICYCLIST APPROACHING CERTAIN TRAFFIC-CONTROL SIGNALS AND FLASHING SIGNALS. The provisions of Sections 544.007(d), 544.008(a), and 545.151(a) applicable to a vehicle facing a steady red signal or a flashing red signal do not apply to a person operating a bicycle. A person operating a bicycle shall comply with the provisions of Section 545.153 applicable to yield signs when approaching an intersection with a steady red signal or a flashing red signal.

SECTION 2.  The change in law made by this Act applies only to an offense committed on or after the effective date of this Act. An offense committed before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the date the offense was committed, and the former law is continued in effect for that purpose. For purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense occurred before that date.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.