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Highsticker,

I rig that way, mostly in the faster deeper water without a strike indicator. I put enough weight on the tag end to feel it tick along the bottom. The fly rides ahead of the shot inches from the bottom. Also you seldom get hung up since it is the split shot that rides on the bottom, not the fly. When you do get hung up often you lose only the shot, and not your fly. I usually use two flies with the rig. It works well under the right conditions.

Another benefit is that when the fish takes your fly, there is no weight between your line and the fly (the weight is behind the fly), thus strikes are easier to detect, and the fish may hold it longer because of not feeling any weight.

One other thing, I tie the dropper from the eye of the hook, not the bend. I feel I hook more fish, and with this rig, the weight attached to the bend of hook makes the fly drift unnaturally.

You're not nuts (or maybe we both are). It works well for me. Good luck.