

A publication supporting the rights, safety and freedom of all motorcyclists through education and legislation

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# LEGISLATION OVERVIEW





approved community restitution in lieu of paying a civil penalty, surcharge, assessment or fee.

#### H2060: AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES; SAFETY FEATURES; PROHIBITIONS

Representative John Kavanaugh proposed this bill. Rep. Kavanaugh drives a Tesla and knows firsthand that any override to the automobile's safety features could be detrimental. This is an example of a legislator being proactive. We love it!

A person is prohibited from overriding the safety features of a fully autonomous vehicle or partially autonomous vehicle by modifying the vehicle's computer program, mechanically modifying the vehicle, or placing any physical device, including a weight, on the vehicle's steering wheel. hour.

#### H2340: AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES; ADOT DIRECTOR'S DUTIES

Representative Richard Andrade proposed this bill and we think it's a good idea. Unfortunately, it might not even be heard in committee.

The Director of the Department of Transportation is required to develop standards for testing the operation of "autonomous vehicles" (defined) in Arizona, including a statewide training curriculum for operators of and passengers in autonomous vehicles and for emergency personnel's response to an autonomous vehicle emergency. By November 1 of each year, the Director is required to submit a report on the operations of autonomous vehicles in Arizona to the Governor and the Legislature. Information that must be included in the report is specified.



Mike Infanzon Legislative Director

Five weeks into the session ....

Almost 1800 bills drafted and introduced ...

We are actively tracking and working on 31 bills this session. It's been a little crazy getting bad bills to be killed and trying to keep our bills alive so far.

There are a couple of bills I want to highlight.

#### H2055: CIVIL TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS; COMMUNITY RESTITUTION

Representative Leo Biasiucci listened to an idea from Jennifer and ran with it. This bill allows a person who violates traffic and vehicle regulation statutes may perform court-

#### H2285: MOTORCYCLE OPERATION; PASSING VEHICLES

Representative Noel Campbell is a fellow motorcyclist and knows the danger of being rear-ended. This is NOT California style lane splitting. This is the same lane filtering that was passed in Utah last year.

The operator of a two-wheeled motorcycle is permitted to overtake and pass another vehicle that is stopped in the same direction of travel in the same lane and to operate the motorcycle between the lanes of traffic on a street that is divided into at least two adjacent traffic lanes in the same direction of travel with a speed limit that does not exceed 45 miles per hour, if the motorcycle is traveling at a speed that does not exceed 15 miles per

#### H2442: HIGHWAY SAFETY FEE REPEAL

You voiced your disapproval of the \$32 VLT and we tried to get an immediate repeal last session. Rep. Biasiucci again is taking the matters into his own hands for Arizona's residents along with Rep. Blackman, Bolick, Carroll, Roberts and Senator Borrelli to get an immediate repeal of the fee.

Repeals the highway safety fee that was previously required to be in an amount

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State Officers meetings are held the 1st Sunday of every month, 10:30 am at the AZ American Italian Club, 7509 N. 12th Street Phoenix, AZ .- OR in conjunction with the quarterly BOD meeting.

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High Country Chapter meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday at 10 a.m. at The Moose Lodge in Star Valley. Contact: azoutlaw66@hotmail.com

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Phoenix/Shadow Mountain meetings are held on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 10:30am at the AZ American Italian Club, 7509 N. 12th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85020. FMI: Chapter Coordinator Mike Schneider, 602-549-1044, mike@squarepegpromos.com

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The Southern Arizona Chapter will meet the third Saturday of the month. We will gather at the Kettle Restaurant meeting room. 748 W Starr Pass Blvd., Tucson, AZ 85713. Meeting time is 10AM October through March and 9AM April through September. FMI contact Jim Butsback (520)247-3051 or abateofazsac@yahoo.com

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Safety Coordinator	Andrew "AJ" Killian
Sgt. At Arms	Richard Carver
P.A.C	Vacant
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Merchandise	Vacant

Yavapai Chapter meets the 2nd Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at the VFW Post 541 in Prescott - 202 N Arizona Ave / 928-776-1125. For more information, please contact Dan Tumey @ 928-308-9911 or ycabateaz@gmail.com. See us on Facebook at

https://www.facebook.com/groups/ycabateaz/. Meet us at 5 for the VFW's very reasonably priced and tasty dinner.

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Yuma Chapter meets the second Thursday evening monthly at 6:00 PM at the pm. We meet at the Windhaven RV East Clubhouse, 6580 E 32nd St, Yuma, AZ 85365. For additional information contact Frank White (Hound) at 209-327-0814.

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Mohave County Chapter meetings are held the 3rd Sunday of the month 10:00 AM at: VFW Golden Valley, Post 2555, 6068 Supai Dr., Golden Valley, AZ 86413

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Communications Officer	Susan Grimmer-Potter
Safety Coordinator	Clayton Crull
Merchandise Coordinator	Gynnie Giebel

We meet the 2nd Sunday of every month at 2:00 PM at the Superstition Harley-Davidson, 2910 W. Apache Trail, Apache Junction 85120, in the conference room on the second floor. You do not have to be a member to attend so come on by and say hello. Riders of all types of bikes, and even non-riders, are always welcome

#### Masterlink is the monthly publication of ABATE of Arizona, which is a motorcycle rights organization.

The purpose of the Masterlink is to provide you, the reader, with access to information that supports the mission of ABATE of Arizona, which is essentially to promote motorcyclists and motorcycling in a safe and positive manner through education and legislation. Anyone may submit an article or advertisement for publication.

However, the Editorial Board of the Masterlink reserves the right to exercise their discretion regarding content in the publication, which means an article or advertisement may not be published if the Editorial Board considers the material inappropriate for, or if space requirements do not allow for, publication in the Masterlink.

#### **EDITOR'S NOTE:**

If any of the Officers are listed here incorrectly, please send corrections to: TheMasterlink@abateofaz.org I will be sure everything is accurate for the next Issue and on the web site.

#### **Calls to Action**

As we mentioned last week, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation will be rolling out a handful of calls to action with membership in the coming weeks. A call to action is the easiest way for you to contact your elected officials about the priorities of motorcyclists directly. It takes on average 2 minutes to fill out the basic contact information and reach out to your lawmakers. Part of the power of our movement comes from strength in numbers.

#### When we walk into an office, and the staff has seen dozens and dozens of letters about motorcycle issues, they are always more engaged and willing to listen.

In just five days, over 1300 of you sent letters to Congress regarding H. Res 255, the motorcyclist profiling resolution. At least one letter was received by 312 of the Congressional offices. Meaning 72% of the House of Representatives heard from us. The state of New York is leading the charge with the most letters sent to their legislators on H. Res. 255. Let's keep hammering these lawmakers until they understand we aren't going away. If you haven't already done the call to action, you can click here to get it done.

The more letters that are sent, the louder our voice is on Capitol Hill. We also encourage you to share the link with friends and other riders via email and social media. Sharing these links is a great way to introduce nonmembers to the MRF and our important mission here in D.C.

Keep your eyes open for more of these calls to action on different topics, and let's keep the pressure

#### **Regulatory Update: DOT Secretary Announces 3 Initiatives at TRB**

recently endorsed.

The first announcement focused on the expansion of the Partnership for Analytics Research in Traffic Safety (PARTS) program which is voluntary between the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and the automobile industry. The first phase of the project had six automobile manufacturers studying and sharing their collected data on Automatic Braking Technology.

Your outreach helps build the foundation for what we are doing here in D.C.

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#### Meeting

News from the MRF

Earlier this week, Department of Transportation (DOT) Secretary Chao spoke at the 99th Annual Transportation Research Board (TRB) Annual Meeting where she unveiled three new initiatives that the Department of Transportation

#### **Mission Statement**

We will lobby and educate the government and the general public to promote

motorcycling in a safe and positive image.

We will endeavor to enlist the cooperation and participation of all organizations

and individuals who share

a similar interest in preserving our American tradition of

#### FREEDOM.

We will involve ourselves in fund raising to achieve our goal.

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## **President's Report**



By Shirley Moore-Bizub

Hello ABATE of Arizona family,

Thing's are moving right along with Motorcycle Day at the Dome days away and Too Broke For Sturgis Committee is putting everything together. This will be the camp out to remember. I would like to see each chapter to inspire chapter members to help out at TBFS we need people to help out in all different places. I would not ask someone to do something I would not do so yes I will be helping also where ever I am needed. . We work hard all year for ABATE and this is our reward this Biggest , Baddest , Bike Rally. So it is only fair that everyone pitches in to help so everyone of us can enjoy this event. Thank you for all you do for ABATE you are very much Appreciated.

New State Product is in the works hopefully the fresh new look will bring some excitement. To our products . this is a major key to let people know who we are by wearing ABATE product. So I will be working with Gynni and getting product back out and available for everyone and easy to get. Anyone who has ideas for State products logo please send them to me so we can maybe use them on future product. This is all of our ABATE and we all have great ideas i would love to hear or see them . thanks Weather is getting nicer watch for those drivers who don't see you check the air in your tires. And be safe out there.

ML & R, Your, ABATE. State President " MoonShine " Shirley Bizub

P.S. last name pronounced Bezub

The Secretary noted that "Vehicles with this technology reported 53% fewer rearend collisions than vehicles without Automatic Emergency Braking Systems based upon preliminary data from the initial program." The second phase of the program, PARTS II, will increase the participation to nearly 70% of the automobile market and the working group will expand beyond automatic braking to include adaptive cruise control and lane keeping assistance.

Dovetailing on the automobile industry collaborating on Advanced Driver-Assistance Systems (ADAS), the DOT endorsed "Clearing the Confusion," a standardized listing of recommended ADAS terminology spearheaded by the National Safety Council, AAA, Consumer Reports and J.D. Power. The collaboration was an effort to standardize the lan-

established by the Director of the Department of Transportation annually in order to fund 110 percent of the Department of Public Safety Highway Patrol budget for each fiscal year.

#### H2566: VEHICLE EMISSIONS; CAL-IFORNIA STANDARDS

Representative Engel again introduced this bill that we killed last year. So far, it's a DOA bill. Department of Environmental Quality

## News from the MRF (continued)

guage by manufacturers to help educate consumers on the functionality of ADAS systems and help ensure "drivers are aware that these systems are designed to assist, not replace an engaged driver."

The final announcement focused on the DOT investing \$38 million for First Responder Safety Technology Pilot Program that will help equip emergency response vehicles and key infrastructure with vehicle-to-everything (V2X) communication technology. The deployment will take advantage of the 5.9 GHz "safety band" that the FCC set aside for transportation over two decades ago but has not been utilized yet. As we have reported before, the FCC voted to release the unused transportation spectrum to other industries citing the DOT's failure to use this system. While the ruling isn't final, we are monitoring any changes from the

FCC. Some road safety advocates think keeping the 5.9GHz is essential the future of connected road safety while others argue that since no standardized system has been adopted by the DOT or automakers that other technologies can be used in place of the dedicated spectrum.

#### **MRF Road Show**

January and February are always a busy time for State Motorcycle Rights Organizations and it's a popular time for SMRO Seminars and events. We at the MRF do our best to attend these statelevel events and give in-person updates on what's going on at the federal level. You can catch the MRF presenting at the following events this weekend: Tiffany Cipoletti will speak at the Virginia Coalition of Motorcyclists Lobby Day Meeting, Ryan Hubbard will speak to ABATE of Illinois's State Seminar, Rocky Fox will be at the ABATE of Michigan's Seminar and Jay Jackson will be at the Kentucky Freedom Fighter Forum for KMA/KBA. You can also catch representatives of the MRF at the following upcoming events: ABATE of Wisconsin's officer's training, ABATE of Pennsylvania's L&L, ABATE U with ABATE of Minnesota, ABATE of Ohio's Legislative Seminar and Heartland STEAM hosted by ABATE of Illinois on April 3-4, 2020

Even if we can't make it to your meeting or event, we have a presentation we can send you so your members are fully briefed on the legislative outlook for 2020. Just email Tiffany Cipoletti at tiffany@mrf.org for the PowerPoint.

## **Legislative Director (continued)**

rules on motor vehicle and combustion engine emissions are required to incorporate the standards adopted by the California Air Resources Board relating to motor vehicles in effect on January 1, 2019.

#### H2630: MOTORCYCLE SAFETY FUND

Representative Shawnna Bolick sponsored this for us along with Rep. Biasiucci, Blackman and Nutt. This is extending the Motorcycle Safety Fund for another 4 years. This funding is what provides a portion of funding for scholarships for Riders Courses and also the bumper stickers, brochures and other swag we are able to give away to promote motorcycle safety and awareness. The Director of the Department of Transportation is required to deposit \$1 of each motorcycle registration fee collected in the Motorcycle Safety Fund through June 30, 2025, extended four years from June 30, 2021.

I just wanted to highlight a few bills for you. You can see all of the bills we are tracking inside this edition.

Be good to one another.

Mike

## LANE SPLITTING. LANE FILTERING. WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

#### By Christopher Beals

What is the difference between California-style lane splitting, and Arizona's proposed lane filtering bill? Most people when they hear about the lane filtering legislation that's going through the process, they more or less think of lawless bikers doing what they want with no regard to anyone's safety. This is most certainly not the case, in fact it's quite the contrary. We want to be able to have the right conversations, so that people better understand why this is good!

So what is the difference? California law

does not allow or prohibit motorcycles from passing other vehicles proceeding in the same direction within the same lane, a practice often called "lane splitting." What this roughly translates to, is that there is nothing that says they cannot do it. The California's Highway Patrol recommends that riders take the safety courses that they offer, however it is not a requirement. This is all fine and dandy, because let those who ride decide! The problem though is the safety concerns.

Arizona is trying to take a different approach that was modeled to us by Utah. The focus is SAFETY first and foremost. As most of the collisions involving a motorcycle, are rear end collisions. California's 'grey area' does not prohibit the practice on a highway. We are only making it legal to do so on city streets that don't exceed 45 miles per hour. Adding to the 'grey area' of our western neighbor, there's nothing prohibiting the action during moving traffic. What we are doing is placing restrictions on where you can maneuver out of the way. We want to be able to safely avoid being struck from the rear at a red light. Oh, and I forgot to mention that you cannot exceed 15 miles per hour.

These are the major differences as to what we are attempting to adopt. We want

Arizona motorcyclists to ride freely, ride safely, and follow the rule of law. We don't want lawlessness; we just want to keep our lives! So, when someone talks to you about what Arizona is trying to pass, inform them on why it's good for all Arizona drivers.

Ride safe and free. Christopher Beals ABATE Authorized Lobbyist

#### Sources:

https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv/detail /about/lane\_splitting

## **Chapter Reports**

#### High Country Chapter

Howdy from High Country Chapter up here in the beautiful Payson area.

A couple of weeks ago the Coordinators, Presidents and Grand Pooh-Bahs of each of the various clubs, riding groups, and other motorcycle organizations up here in High Country got together to compare event calendars. The result was a 2020 calendar packed with non-overlapping events that will be fun and exciting for everyone who rides up here, including all you flat landers!

The calendar lists events every month starting this month with the MMA Beach Party at Jake's Corner. There are events being held by High Country Chapter of ABATE of AZ (yours truly), the Rim Country District of the MMA of AZ, The Old Bastards MC in Payson, The Vietnam and Legacy Veterans MC, and the American Legion Riders out of Payson. There is a downloadable PDF of the events available on our Facebook page (facebook.com/AbateHighCountryChapte r).

And don't forget to save the date! High Country's 16th Annual Wild in the Weeds Rally, held every year during the first weekend in May, will be on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, May 1, 2 and 3. It will be held at Punkin Center Bar & Grill in Tonto Basin, as it has been for the past several years. This venue makes it easy to stay cool, have cold beer, hot food, and lots of fun with just enough room for camping and bike/people games (definitely the highlight of the event) and great live music in the evenings. Go to WildInTheWeeds.com for the latest information.

Remember, you always have an invitation to come and see us. If you can, drop by the Moose Lodge in Star Valley a little before 10 am on the 3rd Saturday of the month and join us for our monthly Chapter Meeting. We would love to have you join us.

#### **Mohave Chapter**

Greetings fellow ABATE of Arizona members,

I have had a break for a couple of months

of writing the chapter report, due to an officer change in our chapter it is now back in my lap as the

Chapter Coordinator. The first thing I would like to bring up is how proud I am as well as other chapter members of 2 women in our chapter. Shirley Bizub (State Coordinator) and Cynde Aydt (State Membership) also my wife, these 2 are doing an awesome job. I have personally seen their hard work and dedication to ABATE, keep uo the good work.

I would love to say that our chapter growth is growing in leaps and bounds but actually it is growing in little bits here and there. It will get better, we just have to keep trying and be patient. I would like to say that we have been doing a lot riding but that is also going in spurts with our weather.

We are currently looking at writing by laws for our chapter, I will be contacting other chapter coordinators to see what the other chapters are doing and to possibly get a copy of your by laws. At our next meeting this Sunday, Feb. 16 we are planning to present a proposed chapter patch for the Mohave Chapter, will keep you posted. If anyone gets up to our neck of the woods we would love to see you at our chapter meeting.

Until next time, ride safe and be free.

Tom Aydt Mohave Chapter Coordinator.

#### Phoenix/Shadow Mountain

NO REPORT.

#### **Superstition Chapter**

Superstition Chapter is off to a good start with the new year. One of our business members, Superstition Harley Davidson is now providing our meeting place. By changing the time and place has resulted in the best attendance yet. We also have increased our memberships.

WHEN: 2nd Sunday of the month
TIME: 2:00 p.m.
WHERE: Superstition Harley Davidson
HOG meeting room
2910 W Apache Trail
Apache Junction, AZ 85210.

The HOG meeting room is upstairs, elevators are located off the service entrance on the west side of the building. Next chapter meeting is March 9, 2020.

We are continuing the BIKES ON MAIN the first Friday of the month in downtown Mesa. Next event is March 6, 2020 from 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm. Look for the new chapter tent at the south west corner of McDonald and Main.

Our first annual Chapter ride is coming up in March 21, 2020, RIDE THE WIND. We will meet at Superstition Harley Davidson, registration begins at 9:00 kick stands up at 9:30 am. Hope to see you there. It will be a great time with lots of raffles and 50/50 drawing. Follow your luck to the Superstition ABATE Chapter. Please come to our meetings or give us a call for more information.

Coordinator, Marc 480-765-4076, Vice Coordinator Reg 480-980-8945 Secretary/Memberships Becky 480-229-6578.

From all of us at Superstition Chapter Ride Safe and Have a Happy St. Patrick's Day

#### **Southern Arizona Chapter**

NO REPORT.

#### Yavapai Chapter

Chapter Secretary A.J. Killian presented Koby Krick a "Yavapai ABATE Chapter Letter of Apperception" for his substantial financial contribution and support to the chapter, and also to the state. Forrest "Woody" Phillips presented Koby Krick his 'Lifetime Membership' Award, a framed "Certificate of Appreciation" from the Board of Directors of gratitude for his gracious and considerable contribution (of \$8,000.00) to ABATE of AZ, and for signing up multi-new (at least 5 members) which he personally paid for. We all need to say a "Hell Yes and BIG Thanks Koby!"

On the advice of the State Communications Officer, our local chapter is moving forward and going to start a monthly communication (hopefully by the end of March) with latent chapter members, who are either active or have been inactive- to help to keep them in the mix with the happenings of their local chapter.

Big thanks to Lil Bit for the nudge!!

Meetup.com Advisory- costs at \$98.94 for 6-mos of use, or can be paid monthly. Since closing the Yavapai Chapter storage locker, those saved funds would be used for Meetup.com use and exposure. Also, J.P. Garcia (one of our new members) would be involved with marketing and communications. Benefits would be links to State ABATE website, membership/signup link, Masterlink, network potential members, schedule events and communicate with members.

Motorcycle Day @ the Dome; Wednesday February 19, 2020. Yavapai Chapter Members are meeting @ Roberts Market @ 9:00am for chapter members to ride down together for the day. Hope to see you there!

The Yavapai Chapter meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm, at the VFW Post 541 Bucky O'Neill's at 202 N. Arizona Ave., Prescott 86301. For more information: contact ycabateaz@gmail.com or call Dan @ 928-308-9911. Dinner available most meetings at 5:00 pm put on by the host, but it would be best to call ahead.

Lastly, member update we have 68 members and 6 business members. Special thanks to our business members: Legends Harley Davidson (formerly GCHD), Mormon Lake Lodge, Barefoot Bob's Billards, El Charro Norte, Mark's Beergarden and Star Island Motorsports. Visit them if you're up here in Yavapai County.

Ride Long, Ride Hard and Ride Safe - Cheers!

Andrew (A. J.) Killian Chapter Secretary - Acting Communications and Chapter Safety Officer Yavapai Chapter of ABATE of Arizona 928-533-3312

#### Yuma Chapter

NO REPORT.



## Easyriders Biker Magazine Bought, Relaunched by Pepper Foster

#### https://wwd.com

The Chip & Pepper cofounder has a lot of plans for the 50-year-old motorcycle magazine and is on the hunt for more acquisitions.

Pepper Foster is in the magazine business with an unexpected acquisition of 50year-old Easyriders magazine. Something along the lines of a Playboymeets-gearhead fantasy.

"One of the reasons I wanted the brand, it's so iconic, but was never really, properly nurtured," Foster said. He purchased his first motorcycle in 1989, a time he remembers fondly for being able to ride without a helmet, and grew up with the magazine. able to work together, be it a collaboration or an advertising deal. He said the magazine still has major brand recognition, globally, too. He was just in Italy, London and Japan, all with motorcycle cultures of their own, and was excited how many people he met there who knew licensing Mann's work for socks and underwear and is thinking about other brands like Vans, a popular shoe for West Coast riders. And Easyriders new chief executive officer is Charles Perez, a veteran apparel manufacturer in L.A.

There's potential in an events business and Foster has hired Chris Breed, an L.A. restaurateur and consultant known for the Roxbury and Pig & Whistle. Easyriders is looking to host six events this year, which Foster foresees as a kind of "biker Coachella," offering a mix of camping, riding and music performances.

The cofounder with his brother of denim line Chip & Pepper, Foster last year quietly bought the monthly, founded in 1970 and aimed strictly at Harley Davidson motorcycle enthusiasts, more specifically those who liked their bikes and gear with a side of naked women. Already Pepper has redesigned the magazine, its look, ethos and frequency, to be a more inclusive outlet looking to showcase the entirety of the modern motorcycle lifestyle. And in a more upscale way.

"We've taken it from what was, well, more trashy, to now being almost like a GQ for bikers," Foster said. "It's more lifestyle now, with a different style of shots, higher quality of photos. Women are shooting women even," he added, alluding to the magazine's earlier look. While the purchase price of Easyriders is being kept confidential, Foster said this year he's looking to get to around \$8 million in revenue and said in three years' time, he's expecting revenue to hit around \$50 million.

"This is a meeting year," he said. "I want to grow this the right way and hit the right customer."

The first thing was to overhaul Easyriders' social media, and it's already back up to almost 27,000 followers on Instagram and Foster said it's growing by a few hundred a day now. A new web site is set to launch next month. He also said his phone "has been ringing off the hook" lately with brands and companies (some "major") calling to see how they may be Easyriders and thought well of it.

Foster immediately decided to make the magazine a quarterly, upgrading everything from the photos and styling (his wife Vanessa is the creative director) to the paper stock and printing, and create a sense of scarcity with distribution. He printed 10,000 copies for the first 140page issue (with no advertising pages), featuring actor Norman Reedus on the cover and a big spread with Erin Wasson inside. It sold out online in three days, Foster said. The magazine previously printed 600,000 copies a month. But his goal isn't to merely operate a niche quarterly magazine for the fun of it.

Foster sees significant business potential in licensing the Easyriders name as well as the earlier art that appeared in the magazine, l like that of the late artist David Mann, who painted on the biker lifestyle. Foster is already looking at If that wasn't enough for a company that's only a few months into new ownership, Foster, who seems naturally excitable, is already looking at TV deals for the brand. And more acquisitions of troubled but quality assets are likely, although Foster is not looking in the apparel space.

"This is just the start," he said. "I'm building a really boutique company that can reposition or reset some beloved brands." NCOM BIKER NEWSBYTES Compiled & Edited by Bill Bish, National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM)

MOTORCYCLIST ADVISORY COUN-CIL REAUTHORIZATION ACTION On February 3, 2020, U.S. Senators Ron Johnson (R-WI) and Gary Peters (D-MI) introduced S.3249 as a bipartisan companion to House bill H.R.5234, calling for the Secretary of Transportation to reauthorize the Motorcyclist Advisory Council established under the FAST Act of 2015.

The "Motorcyclist Advisory Council Reauthorization Act" (S.3249 & H.R.5234) calls for a 12-member council, including members of the motorcycling community, to "advise the Secretary, the Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, and the Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration regarding transportation safety issues of concern to motorcyclists, including (A) barrier design; (B) road design, construction, and maintenance practices; and (C) the architecture and implementation of intelligent transportation system technologies."

### 'AUTOCYCLES' DEFY FEDERAL DEFINITION

With the advent of "three-wheel lightduty vehicles, also called 'Autocycles', as a method of passenger transportation,"

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states across the country have attempted to legislate their licensure and operation, as well as establish a definition of the vehicle and registration protocol, which has prompted concern "that a patchwork of laws and inconsistent regulations now exists, absent a Federal standard for autocycles, thereby causing confusion and hindering the growth of this emerging industry."

Although 38 states have established new regulations and definitions for autocycles, under Federal regulations they are currently classified as motorcycles though they have different physical and operational characteristics than traditional automobiles and motorcycles.

Last year, the U.S. Congress directed the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to conduct research on the appropriate safety standards and existing regulations that apply to autocycles, and in a January 2020 "Report to Congress on the Federal and State Regulatory Status of Autocycles" NHTSA determined that because they do not use the term "autocycle" in its regulations, it currently "regulates all autocycles the same as conventional motorcycles,' which "are subject to the same minimum Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) that are applicable to motorcycles, rather than those FMVSS that are applicable to light vehicles (e.g., passen-ger cars and light trucks)," such as seat belts, air bags, etc.

Regarding the inconsistency of state laws affecting autocycles; "NHTSA does not regulate vehicle usage or operation on roads as this takes place at the State and local level. Vehicle registration, driver licensing, and rider equipment regulations such as whether helmets are required for motorcycle operation are among the areas regulated directly by individual States."

Therefore, any regulatory uniformity from the federal level doesn't seem to be forthcoming any time soon, leaving individual states to determine whether autocycles will be registered as motorcycles and whether operators will be required to have a motorcycle endorsement on their drivers license, or be required to wear a helmet or not, among other pending issues.

CONGRESSIONAL LEGISLATION TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR RECRE-ATIONAL TRAILS On February 6, 2020 a group of Representatives introduced bipartisan legislation to increase funding for the Recreational Trails Program (RTP). introduced in House, H.R. 5797, the "Recreational Trails Full Funding Act of 2020", would more than double financial support for the RTP.

Since 1991, RTP has provided funding to states to develop and maintain outdoor recreational trails, allowing millions of Americans and their families to enjoy activities such as off-roading, snowmobiling, hiking, bicycling, and cross-country skiing, "creating countless opportunities for motorized recreation and human-powered experiences," says Rep. John Curtis (R-UT) a sponsor of the measure.

The bill will more than double RTP funding to at least \$250 million by requiring the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to provide a current estimate of the amount of gas taxes paid by nonhighway recreational users. The program is modeled after the Highway Trust Fund and is funded through taxes paid on gasoline used to fuel snowmobiles, ATVs, and other recreational vehicles that do not use highways. The program is currently funded at \$84 million annually, which is substantially less than is collected in taxes on fuel used by these vehicles.

POW/MIA FLAG LEGISLATION INTRODUCED IN KENTUCKY Last November we reported in NCOM Biker Newsbytes that President Donald Trump had signed the National POW/MIA Flag Act into law; a bipartisan bill to require the POW/MIA Flag be displayed whenever the American flag is displayed on prominent federal properties to honor the more than 82,000 Americans who are listed as Prisoners of War (POW), Missing in Action (MIA), or oth-

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#### **ABATE IS:**

· A Motorcycle Rights Organization (MRO)

 For Bikes & Riders, regardless of Race, Creed, color, sex, age, machine or gear
 For all Motorcycles regardless of Fraternal or club affiliation, as well as

Independents • For people interested in motorcycle safe

· For people interested in motorcycle safety

• For People interested in rider education • For people interested in motorcycle

awareness PSAs directed to non-Riders  $\cdot$  For people interested in protecting and

promoting motorcycling

 $\cdot$  A volunteer, not-for-profit grass-roots organization

· For Motorcyclist who enjoy the ride

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\$50 Masterlink, Patch, Memb card \$8-20 TBFS Disc Entry, RV, Cabins \$3,500 AD&D Benefit \$3,000 60% Discount Health Child Safe Kits \$10 \$3 White Bandana \$1,000 Leadership Training Priceless Motorcycle Awareness Priceless Rights Priceless Rider Education

#### **ABATE of Arizona Serves to:**

Collaborate with other organizations to

monitor and support funding for practices that do not discriminate against motorcycling.

 $\cdot$  Encourage political involvement of its membership.

· Promote and present motorcyclists and motorcycling in a positive and safe manner.

Help prevent motorcycle crashes and promote crash survival through rider education, and public awareness campaigns.
Encourage ongoing federal research pro-

grams such as use of E15 fuel in motorcycles, inclusion of motorcycles in ongoing transportation emerging technologies, and improvements in safer roadway design strategies.

· Promote rider skills training

ABATE of Arizona has developed a program with the mission to provide motorcycle awareness training to all drivers and soon-to-be drivers on the road in Arizona. Instructors provide a one hour program to students in driver education classes throughout the state.

#### Motorcycle Awareness Program (MAP)

MAP is available to be presented to civic organizations as well as most businesses that hold safety meetings. FMI: map@abateofaz.org

#### **ABATE** accomplishments:

**1992** Opened HOV lanes to motorcycles **1993** Helped prevent mandatory helmet legislation in Arizona

**1997** Established handlebar height elevation to shoulder height

2001 Established Motorcycle Safety Fund2002 Established Arizona MotorcycleSafety Council

2004 Established veteran plates for motorcycles

**2007** Eliminated yearly motorcycle emissions testing in Pima County

2007 Removed cap on Motorcycle Safety Fund

**2013** Eliminated yearly motorcycle emissions testing in Maricopa County

**2015** Eliminated restriction on handlebar height

**2017** Successfully prevented mandatory helmet legislation

**2017** Reestablished Motorcycle Safety Fund for 5 years

**2017** Helped pass the Teen texting bill **2017** Helped pass the Civil Forfeiture changes

2018 Introduced Anti-profiling legislation
2018 Stakeholder for Lane Splitting Bill
2018 Stopped the adoption of California
emissions standards in Arizona
2018 Helped pass "Pam's Law" -

Aggravating factor for injuries to pedestrians and motorcyclists by distracted and

#### DUI offenders

**2019** Anti-profiling; encouraging prevention Memorial unanimously passed 60-0 in the House

2019 Mandatory helmet law with fees attached defeated once again2019 Helped pass the Texting while driving, prohibition and enforcement, statewide hands-free law signed by

Governor April 2019

**2019** Helped pass legislation excluding "slingshot" type 3 wheeled vehicles from class M applicability signed by Governor April 2019

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Or turn in your membership number application to an officer of the chapter of your choice. Please allow 4-6 weeks for processing. { } Superstition Chapter { } Southern Arizona { } High Country { } Yavapai { } Yuma { } Phx/Shadow Mtn { } Mohave

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erwise unaccounted for from our nation's past wars and conflicts.

While the federal legislation appropriately regards federal buildings and memorials, Kentucky Motorcycle Association (KMA/KBA.com) member Danny "Greasy" Belcher, director of Task Force Omega of KY, has taken steps to ensure that the flag will fly atop State properties as well.

Belcher lobbied Kentucky legislators to introduce Senate Bill 104, "to designate the POW/MIA flag as the state's symbol of concern and commitment to achieving the fullest possible accounting of United States military personnel who, having been prisoners of war or missing in action, still remain unaccounted for or those who in the future may become prisoners of war, missing in action, or otherwise unaccounted for as a result of hostile action; specify locations, dates, and circumstances under which the flag shall be displayed."

The recognizable black and white POW-MIA flag you see flying all across the country has a special meaning to Kentuckians, as it was created by Bowling Green resident Mary Hoff in 1970 after her husband's plane was shot down over Laos during the Vietnam War.

Call (800) 372-7181 and ask Kentucky Senators to co-sponsor S.B.104; "It is the least we can do for our POW/MIAs," says Greasy.

#### DISTRACTED DRIVING TARGETED BY LAWMAKERS

Nearly four in 10 drivers admit to looking at their phones while driving, according to a AAA survey, and distracted driving has become a leading cause of highway accidents and fatalities nationwide. Nearly every state has enacted laws against texting while driving, while many others have banned handheld wireless communications devices altogether, such as a new law that recently went into effect in Florida.

Perhaps 2020 will be a major year for distracted driver bills sweeping through state legislatures, as Utah (H.B.101) and Colorado (S.B.65) have already introduced measures this year to require drivers to use hands-free devices, and motorcycle groups in those states say it's about time!

On Tuesday, February 11, the Colorado Senate Transportation and Energy Committee passed Senate Bill 65 unanimously, on a 5-to-nothing vote.

Lawmakers in Ohio recently extended the definition of "distracted" to include "any activity that is not necessary for the vehicle's operation and that impairs the driver's ability to drive safely," including eating, handing things, or even changing the radio station could all result in a ticket.

Maryland has taken a different approach, introducing H.B.721/S.B.512 "Prohibiting an individual from causing the serious physical injury or death of a vulnerable individual as a result of the individual operating a vehicle in a careless or distracted manner."

#### STATES SEEK TO LEGALIZE LANE **SPLITTING**

As of January 2020, California is the only U.S. state that formally authorizes motorcyclists to lane split. Utah passed a law to allow riders to lane filter in 2019, while Hawaii made shoulder surfing legal in rush hour traffic situations in 2018. Now, Arizona and Virginia could soon join California on the elite list of lanesplitting-friendly states.

Proposals to legalize lane splitting both in Arizona and Virginia were recently submitted to those states' legislative bodies. The Arizona bill, House Bill 2285 introduced in January by Representative and Arizona House Transportation Committee chairman Noel Campbell, a former Navy and U.S. Forest Service pilot and a motorcycle tour guide, would allow riders to lane split on roads of more than one lane in the same direction with a speed limit of 45 mph or less and when traffic is cruising at no more than 15 mph.

In Virginia, Rep. Tony Wilt proposed a similar measure, House Bill 1236, to allow motorcyclists to lane split on roads of more than one lane in the same direction but traffic speed would have to be under 10 mph and motorcycles would be limited to a maximum speed of 20 mph.

Over the past few years, a slew of bills have been introduced to legalize lane splitting and filtering, including;

Connecticut, where lawmakers are actively considering Senate Bill 629 to make both lane splitting and filtering explicitly legal.

In Oregon, House Bill 2314 was referred to the Speaker's desk. If approved, motorcycles could travel between cars on roadways where the speed limit is 50mph or greater, and traffic is moving at 10mph or slower.

Washington state reintroduced Senate Bill 5254 on January 13, 2020 and it's currently in committee.

In Canada, the Toronto city council is considering Agenda Item MM43.53 to allow filtering throughout the city, as well as allowing motorcycles to "use reserved lanes" in some specific areas of the city.

NCOM CONVENTION IN "CIRCLE CITY" ON THE FAST TRACK The 35th annual NCOM Convention in Indianapolis is in the home stretch, so plan now to be a part of one of the largest gathering of motorcycle rights activists in the world. This year's NCOM Convention, to be held Mother's Day weekend, May 8-9, 2020 at the Marriott Indianapolis East (7202 East 21st Street) will draw hundreds of concerned motorcyclists from across America to "Circle City" to address topics of concern to all riders.

Known worldwide for its "Indy 500", it was motorcycles that first lapped the Brickyard's banked oval track in 1909. and over a century later bikers are still racing toward the checkered flag of victory.

Racing is a team sport, and everyone's contributions facilitate the win, so ALL motorcyclists are welcome to attend and participate in the many meetings, seminars and group discussions.

Many of today's finest Freedom Fighters will be on hand to promote strength through unity, working together throughout the legislative process, teach organizational and leadership principles, and

share lobbying techniques and political insights to retain and regain Freedom of the Road.

Agenda items will cover legal and legislative issues of concern to all riders, including "Protect Your Rights/Probable Cause" and "Vulnerable Road Users Legislation To Protect Our Riders" seminars, with Special Meetings for Veterans Affairs, Women in Motorcycling, Clean & Sober Roundtable and World of Sport Bikes, as well as the Christian Unity Conference and Confederation of Clubs Patch Holders Meeting. Renown EMT Dick "Slider" Gilmore will present his "Save a Biker's Life" seminar on The Golden Hour, a must-see tutorial.

Registration fees for the NCOM Convention are \$85 including the Silver Spoke Awards Banquet on Saturday night, or \$50 for the Convention only. For more information, or to pre-register, call the National Coalition of Motorcyclists at (800) 525-5355 or visit www.ON-A-BIKE.com.

Claim your spot in the starting lineup and reserve your hotel room now for the special NCOM rate of \$129 per night by calling (317) 352-9775, and we'll see you at the finish line!

In the meantime, the National Coalition of Motorcyclists is requesting that MROs, motorcycle clubs, and riding associations submit the names of those members and supporters who have passed away over the past year, since May 2019, so that we may honor their memories with the traditional "Ringing of the Bell" tribute to fallen riders during the opening ceremonies. Dedications should be e-mailed in advance to Bill Bish at NCOMBish@aol.com, or can be hand-delivered at the Convention to "Doc" Reichenbach, NCOM Chairman of the Board.

QUOTABLE QUOTE: "We can't solve problems by using the same kind of thinking we used when we created them.

- Albert Einstein (1879-1955) Germanborn physicist



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### **ABATE of Arizona Chapter Meeting Times and Locations**

#### **High Country Chapter**

High Country Chapter meetings are held on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 10 a.m. at The Moose Lodge in Yuma Chapter The Yuma ABATE chapter meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00 pm. We meet at the Copper Mine Restaurant, 11375 S Foothills Blvd 85367. We would

promote motorcycle awaren and education. Motorcycle riders and activist have long recognized that rider education and awareness are crucial in enhancing rider safety, and no one is more concerned with rider safety than riders themselves.

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Star Valley. Contact: chicknbone@live .com or 928-970-1134

#### Phoenix / Shadow Mountain Chapter

Phoenix/Shadow Mountain meetings are held on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 10:30am at the AZ American Italian Club, 7509 N. 12th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85020. FMI: Chapter Coordinator Nolan Steed, steednk@gmail.com

#### Southern Arizona Chapter

The Southern Arizona Chapter will meet the third Saturday of the month. We will gather at the Kettle Restaurant meeting room. 748 W Starr Pass Blvd., Tucson, AZ 85713. Meeting time is 10AM October through March and 9AM April through September. FMI contact Jim Butsback (520)247-3051 or abateofazsac@yahoo.com

#### Yavapai Chapter

Yavapai Chapter meets the 2nd Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. at the VFW Post 541 in Prescott - 202 N Arizona Ave / 928-776-1125. For more information, please contact Dan Tumey @ 928-308-9911 or ycabateaz@gmail.com. See us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/groups/ycabateaz/.

love to see you there.

#### **Mohave Chapter**

Mohave County Chapter meetings are held the 3rd Sunday of the month 10:00 AM at: VFW Golden Valley, Post 2555, 6068 Supai Dr., Golden Valley, AZ 86413

#### Superstition Chapter

We meet the 2nd Sunday of every month at 2:00 PM at the Superstition Harley-Davidson, 2910 W. Apache Trail, Apache Junction 85120, in the conference room on the second floor. You do not have to be a member to attend so come on by and say hello. Riders of all types of bikes, and even non-riders, are always welcome.

#### MASTERLINK MARCH 2020

## **ABATE of Arizona Business Members**

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#### **In-Office Congressional Visits**

Your representative's local offices are open for anybody to visit. Take advantage of this by showing up with a small group and asking for an impromptu meeting. Even without an appointment, it is much harder for a staffer to turn away a group than a single constituent.

• Find out where your representatives local offices are -- check their official webpages

• Call the district office a month or so in advance and ask to schedule a meeting with your group when the member is home on recess

• If the legislator isn't available, meet with a staffer — the best person to meet with is the District Director

• Prepare several questions ahead of time, but focus on only one issue and one request of the legislator

• Recruit 3-5 community members, leaders, friends and allies to join you in the meeting

Prepare with your group and

rehearse the order in which you want to talk for your 10-15 meeting
ALWAYS be cordial. You attract more flies with honey than vinegar.

If you want talking points or help, please let us know at lobbyist@abateofaz.org

## **SMRO Bills**

**Bill Summaries** 

#### H2055: CIVIL TRAFFIC VIOLA-TIONS; COMMUNITY RESTITU-TION [Support]

A person who violates traffic and vehicle regulation statutes may perform courtapproved community restitution in lieu of paying a civil penalty, surcharge, assessment or fee. The court is prohibited from assessing the time payment fee (set elsewhere in statute and currently \$20) on MUNITY RESTITUTION2/5 jud amended; report awaited.

CIVIL TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS; COM-MUNITY RESTITUTION 1/29 House jud held.

CIVIL TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS; COM-MUNITY RESTITUTION 1/13 referred to House jud.

#### H2060: AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES; SAFETY FEATURES; PROHIBI-

House referred to House tech, trans.

#### H2063: EDUCATION AND COMMU-NITY ENRICHMENT PLATES [Neutral]

The Department of Transportation is required to issue education and community enrichment special license plates if a person pays \$32,000 in start-up costs by December 31, 2020. Of the \$25 annual fee, \$8 is an administrative fee and \$17 is a donation to the newly established Education and Community Enrichment Special Plate Fund, to be allocated to a charitable organization that is headquartered in Arizona and that has a mission to promote education through scholarships and other educational programming and to promote youth activities, sports and cultural enrichment in the community, and that meets other specified requirements.

EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT PLATES 2/11 House COW approved. EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT PLATES 2/10 retained on House calendar. EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT PLATES 2/3 from House rules okay.

EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT PLATES 1/23 from House trans do pass.

civil traffic violations.

First sponsor: Rep. Biasiucci (R - Dist 5) Others: Sen. Alston (D - Dist 24), Rep. Blackman (R - Dist 6), Rep. Bolick (R -Dist 20), Sen. Borrelli (R - Dist 5), Rep. Carroll (R - Dist 22), Rep. Cobb (R - Dist 5), Rep. Cook (R - Dist 8), Sen. Dalessandro (D - Dist 2), Rep. Finchem (R - Dist 11), Rep. A. Hernandez (D -Dist 3), Sen. Kerr (R - Dist 13), Rep. Teller (D - Dist 7)

H2055 Daily History Date Action CIVIL TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS; COM-MUNITY RESTITUTION2/11 from House rules okay.

CIVIL TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS; COM-MUNITY RESTITUTION2/5 from House jud with amend #4090. CIVIL TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS; COM-

#### TIONS [Support]

A person is prohibited from overriding the safety features of a fully autonomous vehicle or partially autonomous vehicle by modifying the vehicle's computer program, mechanically modifying the vehicle, or placing any physical device, including a weight, on the vehicle's steering wheel.

First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)

H2060 Daily History Date Action AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES; SAFETY FEATURES; PROHIBITIONS 2/5 from House tech with amend #4092.

AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES; SAFETY FEATURES; PROHIBITIONS 2/5 House tech amended; report awaited. AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES; SAFETY FEATURES; PROHIBITIONS 1/16 First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)

H2063 Daily History Date Action EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT PLATES 2/11 passed House on reconsideration 31-28; ready for Senate.

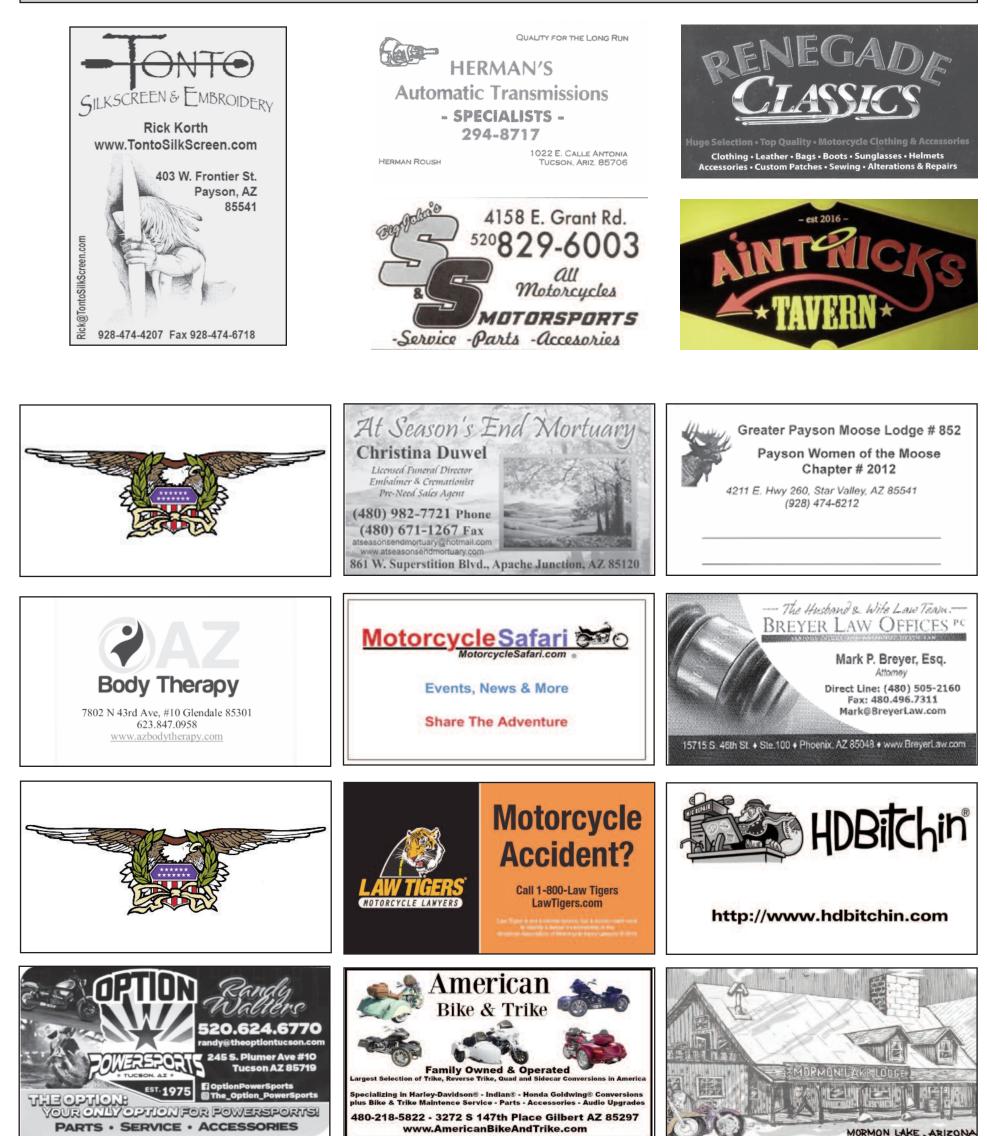
EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT PLATES 2/11 FAILED House 28-31. EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT PLATES 1/22 House trans do pass; report awaited.

EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT PLATES 1/13 referred to House trans.

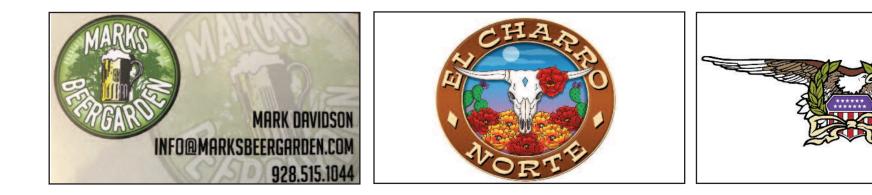
#### H2155: MOTOR VEHICLE INSUR-ANCE; NONRENEWAL [Neutral]

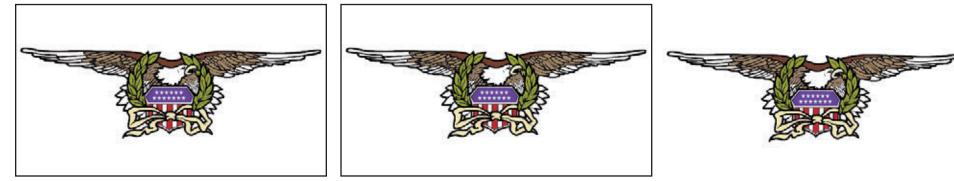
Insurers are authorized to fail to renew a motor vehicle insurance policy if the named insured, any person who resides in the same household as the named insured and who customarily operates a motor vehicle insured under

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## **Events Calendar**

#### **March 2020**

3/6 {Fri} Motorcycles on Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Music by Shine on Floyd, Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open. Every first Friday between September & June. Vendors call Courtney 480-890-2613

4/1-5 {Wed-Sun} Arizona Bike Week

4/1 {Wed} ABW's Peace Out Prostate Cancer Ride. FMI: http://peaceoutprostatecancer.org/

4/3 {Fri} Motorcycles on Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Live Music, Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open. Every first Friday between

September & June. Vendors call Courtney 480-890-2613

5/1 {Fri} Motorcycles on Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Music by Moonshine VooDoo Band, Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open. Every first Friday between September & June. Vendors call Courtney 480-890-2613

6/5 {Fri} Motorcycles on Main Bike Night in Downtown Mesa from 6-10pm. Music by Poppy and the Usual Suspects, Beer Garden, vendors, & more. Park & show your bike. Eateries open. Every first Friday between September & June. Vendors call Courtney 480-890-2613

6/11-14 {Th-Sun} Too Broke For Sturgis hosted by ABATE of AZ at Mormon Lake Lodge.

# **AMA News**

#### State

PHOENIX — House Bill 2285, introduced by state Rep. Noel W. Campbell (R), would make it legal for motorcyclists to overtake and pass another vehicle that is stopped in the same direction of travel in the same lane if the street is divided into at least two adjacent traffic lanes in the same direction of travel, the speed limit does not exceed 45 mph and the motorcyclist is traveling at 15 mph or slower.

#### National

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The Office of United States Trade Representative has again proposed tariffs on motorcycles with an engine size between 500cc and 700cc, along with parts and accessories, imported from countries in the European Union, as part of a dispute over aircraft subsidies. This proposal comes after the USTR announced in October that these motorcycles would not be subject to tariffs originally proposed in April. This continued targeting of the motorcycle community and industry only brings uncertainty and harm to American motorcyclists and the small businesses that support them. The AMA is joining others in the motorcycling community to oppose the USTR's ill-conceived proposal. Motorcyclists should not be penalized with exorbitant tariffs because of an unrelated trade dispute. Any trade sanctions imposed as a result of this dispute should come from more closely related industries or products. You can make your voice heard on this issue by following this link: https://tinyurl.com/qspkcrc.

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Motorcyclists rode a little less in 2018 than in the year before, according to a report from the U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics. Riders traveled 20.1 billion miles in 2018, down about 1 percent from 2017.

WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Department of Transportation's National

Highway Traffic Safety Administration released highway crash fatality data for 2018, showing a 2.4 percent decline in overall fatalities, the second consecutive year of reduced crash fatalities. Motorcyclist fatalities declined 4.7 percent. The report shows that 4,985 motorcyclists died in crashes in 2018, down 244 from the 5,229 fatalities in 2017.

#### AMA

PICKERINGTON, Ohio - Get your tickets and make your plans to be at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course in Lexington, Ohio, July 10-12 for 2020 AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days. AMA members can purchase discounted tickets now at www.amavintagemotorcycledays.com/tic kets. AMA members save an additional \$5 off the already discounted early bird pricing. AMA members can also call (614) 856-1900 to order their tickets. A fundraiser for the AMA Motorcycle Hall of Fame, AMA Vintage Motorcycle Days showcases classic motorcycles of all

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## SUPERSTITION CHAPTER MEETING





## Production stops at Norton Motorcycles two weeks after administrators brought in

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Future of the historic bike brand's 70 staff remains uncertain whilst buyer is sought

By Tom Pegden, Business Live UK

Production has stopped at the Norton Motorcycles factory – but it is understood there have not been any redundancies as yet. Concrete blocks are reported to have been placed at the entrances to bike headquarters in Castle Donington, Leicestershire, while administrators continue to look for a potential buyer.

It is understood shop floor workers there had continued completing bikes even after the administrators from accounting firm BDO were called in on January 29. There were believed to be around 70 people working at the business at the time.

Norton owner Stuart Garner is also understood to have been working with the administrators within the business until at least a few days ago. used by Mr Garner, were taken away from him as part of the assets of the business.

It comes as Labour MP Meg Hillier, who chairs Parliament's public accounts committee, called for an investigation into the millions of pounds of government funding that had gone into the business in recent years...

It is understood that "four or five Aston Martins and a couple of Range Rovers"

## **House Transportation Committee rejects Helmet Bill**

https://blog.bikernet.com

By THOMAS P. CALDWELL, The Laconia Daily Sun

CONCORD — The House Transportation Committee on Wednesday forwarded House Bill 1621 — which would have required helmets for those operating motorcycles and similar vehicles — to the full House with a recommendation of "inexpedient to legislate," which typically means the proposal is dead.

During a Feb. 4 hearing on the bill, 259 people signed up to speak against the bill, while only four planned to support it. Not

everyone ended up speaking, but opponents dominated the three-hour hearing.

Rep. Charlie St. Clair, D-Laconia, who serves on the House Transportation Committee as well as acting as director of the Laconia Motorcycle Week Association, said there was a lot of discussion before the panel voted, 16-4, to give it a thumbs-down on Wednesday.

Those in favor of the bill discussed the public burden of caring for those with traumatic brain injury and other conditions that may have been prevented by wearing a helmet. Others argued that people need the extra kick that a law provides to take safety measures seriously.

Yet the committee agreed that they heard "loud and clear" from constituents that it should be a matter of choice, especially in a state with the "Live Free or Die" motto. People in New Hampshire strongly believe in that freedom of choice, even if they personally choose to wear helmets.

St. Clair said he pointed out to the committee that there had been no support for similar safety measures in other areas, such as in automobiles or homes. "You can slip on ice on the sidewalk and get injured," he said. The economic impact that motorcycle riders provide to the state was a big part of the discussion. During the hearing, several people said having a helmet law would reduce the number of riders in New Hampshire and negatively affect revenue from the Rooms and Meals Tax, as well as hurting businesses that benefit from those visitors.

Jennifer Anderson, deputy director of the Laconia Motorcycle Week Association, had testified that all three national rallies — Laconia, Daytona, and Sturgis agree that mandatory helmet laws decrease rally attendance...

## **SMRO Bills (continued)**

Insurers are authorized to fail to renew a motor vehicle insurance policy if the named insured, any person who resides in the same household as the named insured and who customarily operates a motor vehicle insured under the policy or any other person who regularly and frequently operates a motor vehicle insured under the policy has had at any time during the 36 months immediately before the notice of nonrenewal three or more at-fault accidents under any motor vehicle insurance policy issued by the insurer in which the property damage paid by the insurer for each accident exceeds the threshold amount of property damages in this subsection as determined by the Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions. The Dept is required to annually adjust and publish the threshold amount by the percentage change in the all items component of the consumer price index for all urban consumers of the U.S. Department of Labor. The insurer is prohibited from exercising its right to fail to renew a motor vehicle insurance policy under these provisions if the named insured has been insured for standard automobile bodily injury coverage for at least 10 consecutive years with the same insurer before the most recent accident that makes the policy subject to nonrenewal. An insurer is prohibited from failing to renew more than 0.5 percent of its policies annually under these provisions. More.

First sponsor: Rep. Blackman (R - Dist 6)

H2155 Daily History Date Action No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.

#### H2183: FUNERAL ESCORTS; FUNERAL BOARD LICENSURE [Oppose]

Responsibility for licensing funeral escort vehicles and military escort vehicles is transferred to the State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers, from the sheriff in each county. The Board is required to license funeral escort vehicles, military escort vehicles, drivers of funeral escort vehicles and drivers of military escort vehicles as prescribed by the Board by rule. The Board is authorized to establish and collect a fee for licensing funeral escort vehicles, military escort vehicles, drivers of funeral escort vehicles and drivers of military escort vehicles in an amount to be determined by the Board. A motor vehicle liability insurance policy for a funeral escort business or for a nonprofit corporation that provides military processions is required to list the State Board of Funeral Directors as the certifi cate holder on the certificate of liability insurance.

H2243 Daily History Date Action APPROPRIATION; WIDENING; INTERSTATE 102/13 passed House 58-0; ready for Senate.

APPROPRIATION; WIDENING; INTERSTATE 102/11 from House rules okay.

APPROPRIATION; WIDENING; INTERSTATE 102/6 from House appro with amend #4103.

APPROPRIATION; WIDENING; INTERSTATE 102/5 House appro amended; report awaited.

APPROPRIATION; WIDENING; INTERSTATE 101/30 from House trans do pass.

APPROPRIATION; WIDENING; INTERSTATE 101/29 House trans do pass; report awaited.

APPROPRIATION; WIDENING; INTERSTATE 101/22 referred to House trans, appro.

#### H2285: MOTORCYCLE OPERA-TION; PASSING VEHICLES [Support]

The operator of a two-wheeled motorcycle is permitted to overtake and pass another vehicle that is stopped in the same direction of travel in the same lane and to operate the motorcycle between the lanes of traffic on a street that is divided into at least two adjacent traffic lanes in the same direction of travel with a speed limit that does not exceed 45 miles per hour, if the motorcycle is traveling at a speed that does not exceed 15 miles per hour. First sponsor: Rep. Campbell (R - Dist 1)

H2285 Daily History Date Action MOTORCYCLE OPERATION; PASS-ING VEHICLES 1/28 referred to House trans, pub safety.

#### H2302: EDUCATION AND COMMU-NITY ENRICHMENT; PLATES [Neutral]

The Department of Transportation is required to issue education and community enrichment special license plates if a person pays \$32,000 in start-up costs by December 31, 2020. Of the \$25 annual fee, \$8 is an administrative fee and \$17 is a donation to the newly established Education and Community Enrichment Special Plate Fund, to be allocated to a charitable organization that is headquartered in Arizona, that has a mission to promote education through scholarships and other educational programming and to promote youth activities, sports and cultural enrichment in the community, and that meets other specified requirements.

a vehicle is expanded to include if the peace officer determines that the person's driving privilege is suspended for any reason except for failure to pay a civil penalty or failure to appear as directed for a scheduled court appearance. A peace officer who needs to be immediately present at an "emergency" (defined) is not required to immobilize or impound a vehicle if the location of the emergency is different than the location of the vehicle. First sponsor: Rep. Kern (R - Dist 20)

H2303 Daily History Date Action MANDATORY VEHICLE IMPOUND-MENT; EXCEPTION 2/10 referred to House pub safety.

#### H2340: AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES; ADOT DIRECTOR'S DUTIES [Neutral]

The Director of the Department of Transportation is required to develop standards for testing the operation of "autonomous vehicles" (defined) in Arizona, including a statewide training curriculum for operators of and passengers in autonomous vehicles and for emergency personnel's response to an autonomous vehicle emergency. By November 1 of each year, the Director is required to submit a report on the operations of autonomous vehicles in Arizona to the Governor and the Legislature. Information that must be included in the report is specified. First sponsor: Rep. Andrade (D - Dist 29)

Others: Rep. Blanc (D - Dist 26), Rep. Bolding (D - Dist 27), Rep. Chavez (D -Dist 29), Rep. Fernandez (D - Dist 4), Rep. Friese (D - Dist 9), Rep. A. Hernandez (D - Dist 3), Rep. Peten (D -Dist 4), Rep. Powers Hannley (D - Dist 9), Rep. Sierra (D - Dist 19), Rep. Terán (D - Dist 30), Rep. Tsosie (D - Dist 7)

H2340 Daily History Date Action AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES; ADOT DIRECTOR'S DUTIES 2/13 referred to House trans, com.

#### H2341: SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES; VETERANS; DESIGN [Neutral]

The Department of Transportation is required to issue veterans of overseas conflicts special license plates if a person pays \$32,000 in start-up costs by December 31, 2020. The plates are required to have a standard design with one three-inch square set aside for a logo or message and one area on the bottom of the plate for a message. Of the \$25 annual fee, \$8 is an administrative fee and \$17 is a donation to the newly established Veterans of Overseas Conflicts Special Plate Fund, to be allocated to a 501(c)(19)organization that is located in Arizona, that services veterans, the military and the community, and that meets other specified requirements. First sponsor: Rep. Andrade (D - Dist 29) Others: Rep. Campbell (R - Dist 1), Rep. Friese (D - Dist 9), Rep. Lawrence (R -Dist 23)

required to issue veterans of overseas conflicts auxiliary special license plates if a person pays \$32,000 in start-up costs by December 31, 2020. The plates are required to have a standard design with one three-inch square set aside for a logo or message and one area on the bottom of the plate for a message. Of the \$25 annual fee, \$8 is an administrative fee and \$17 is a donation to the newly established Veterans of Overseas Conflicts Special Plate Fund, to be allocated to a 501(c)(19)organization that is located in Arizona, that serves women veterans, women active duty personnel, and their families, and that meets other specified requirements.

First sponsor: Rep. Andrade (D - Dist 29) Others: Rep. Campbell (R - Dist 1), Rep. Friese (D - Dist 9), Rep. Lawrence (R -Dist 23)

H2342 Daily History Date Action VETERANS; SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES; DESIGN 2/6 referred to House mil-vet.

#### H2378: MOTOR VEHICLE TRANS-ACTIONS; NOTICES; DEALERS [Neutral]

Various changes to statutes relating to motor vehicle transactions. If a motor vehicle dealer agrees to pay off any outstanding loans on a trade-in vehicle, the dealer is required to pay the agreed on amount in full within 21 days after receiving the trade-in vehicle. At the time a customer purchases or leases a motor vehicle through dealer-arranged financing or leasing and before the customer receives approval from a third-party financial institution, if the dealer allows the customer to take possession of the motor vehicle, the dealer is required to provide the customer with a separate document containing a specified notice, which must be signed by the dealer and the customer. If a third-party financial institution does not approve the financing term, the dealer is required to notify the customer in writing within 10 days, and the motor vehicle dealer or the customer is allowed to cancel the sale or lease if the parties do not agree to new terms. A buyer cannot waive these rights. When advertising the price of a motor vehicle, a motor vehicle dealer is required to clearly and conspicuously disclose the price of the motor vehicle that is available to all customers, not including potential rebates and including all costs or fees for goods or services that are not optional for the transaction. Violations of these requirements constitute an unlawful practice sub-

First sponsor: Rep. Blanc (D - Dist 26) Others: Rep. Rodriguez (D - Dist 27)

H2183 Daily History Date Action FUNERAL ESCORTS; FUNERAL BOARD LICENSURE 1/29 referred to House reg affairs, pub safety.

#### H2243: APPROPRIATION; WIDEN-ING; INTERSTATE 10 [Neutral]

Appropriates \$50 million from the general fund in FY2020-21 to the Department of Transportation to widen Interstate 10 between Chandler and Casa Grande. First sponsor: Rep. Shope (R - Dist 8) Others: Rep. J. Allen (R - Dist 15) First sponsor: Rep. Kavanagh (R - Dist 23)

H2302 Daily History Date Action No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.

#### H2303: MANDATORY VEHICLE IMPOUNDMENT; EXCEPTION [Neutral]

The list of reasons for which a peace officer is required to cause the removal and either immobilization or impoundment of H2341 Daily History Date Action SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES; VETER-ANS; DESIGN 2/6 referred to House mil-vet.

H2342: VETERANS; SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES; DESIGN [Neutral]

The Department of Transportation is

ject to enforcement by the Attorney General.

First sponsor: Rep. Biasiucci (R - Dist 5) H2378 Daily History Date Action MOTOR VEHICLE TRANSACTIONS; NOTICES; DEALERS 2/12 House trans held.

MOTOR VEHICLE TRANSACTIONS; NOTICES; DEALERS 2/3 referred to House trans.

#### H2384: VLT AND REGISTRATION FEE EXEMPTIONS [Support]

Establishes an exemption from vehicle license taxes and registration fees for a veteran who is a bona fide purple heart medal

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## **OFFICERS TRAINING 1-4-2020**





### **To All MRO State Presidents and Executive Directors**

On May 8-9 2020 the annual National Coalition of Motorcyclists Convention will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana. We will be discussing legislation that seems to have been forgotten by the Motorcycle Community in the past year. The rights movement was developed to fight unjust laws and the biggest one was the helmet law. Now every state has had many deaths because drivers who use every excuse in the world as to why they run over us. These two items will be discussed at length at the convention.

We ask that you send at least two members of your organization to bring your ideas and expertise to help your brothers and sisters brainstorm to get new laws passed. There is no national legislation to fight these and other laws. No one, no organization knows what going on in your state but you. You know the legislators in your state and you know who supports you in your legislature. Come to the convention and help us get back on track doing what our organizations were formed to do. James D. "Doc" Reichenbach II Chairman of the Board National Coalition of Motorcyclists

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## **From The Board Room**



By Woody Phillips - Chairman

The state legislature is back in business and our lobbying team is hard at work representing the rights of all of us. This year we are hoping to get a few bills through, including one on Lane Filtering.

The version of the bill being pursued as of this writing is modeled after the

the Lane Filtering bill recently passed in Utah. There is a video on many chapters' Facebook pages that explains exactly what it is better than I could here. So, I want to talk a little about what it is not.

First and most importantly, Lane Filtering is "optional". You do not HAVE to do it. In fact, there will be situations where you should not. It is also not Lane Sharing. Lane sharing is where you, literally, share a lane with another vehicle. In California lane sharing is called Lane Splitting.

I spent 10 years riding the California freeways and there is a reason why Lane Splitting/Sharing is done there. There may come a time when we would like to do it here, but one thing at a time. Lane Splitting is so familiar to California drivers that the CHP actually published a set of guidelines for doing it properly. I (mostly) followed those guidelines while riding in California and it worked out really well. It actually kept me safer and

saved a ton of time commuting to and from work.

But I think it will be quite a while before we see such legislation here, mainly because Arizona drivers are maniacs. You know this is true. The amount of speeding, aggressive or even reckless driving we see here is truly unbelievable. And don't get me going on the distracted drivers. New texting law or not, people are just not paying attention to the road.

Which brings me back to Lane Filtering. I believe Lane Filtering will save lives. I personally know 2 riders who were rearended at a red light and both suffered greatly. They both survived, thank the good Lord, but their bikes did not and neither did their wallets. There is no such thing as an accident where you "make out" by getting more than you lost. That will never happen. But with this new Lane Filtering bill, you will LEGALLY be able to get out of the way at red lights. Ask your chapter PAC officer to show you the actual language. This is logical, good-sense policy that will help everyone.

I recently heard that local law enforcement was against this bill, but I don't actually think they are. This past summer I had an opportunity to explain Lane Filtering in a room with many police officers and they all agreed that, in many situations, it is much better if the motorcycles are able to "just get out of the way"!

Please educate yourself about this potential change to the law and make your voice heard in the legislature. This one advances our rights AND potentially saves lives!

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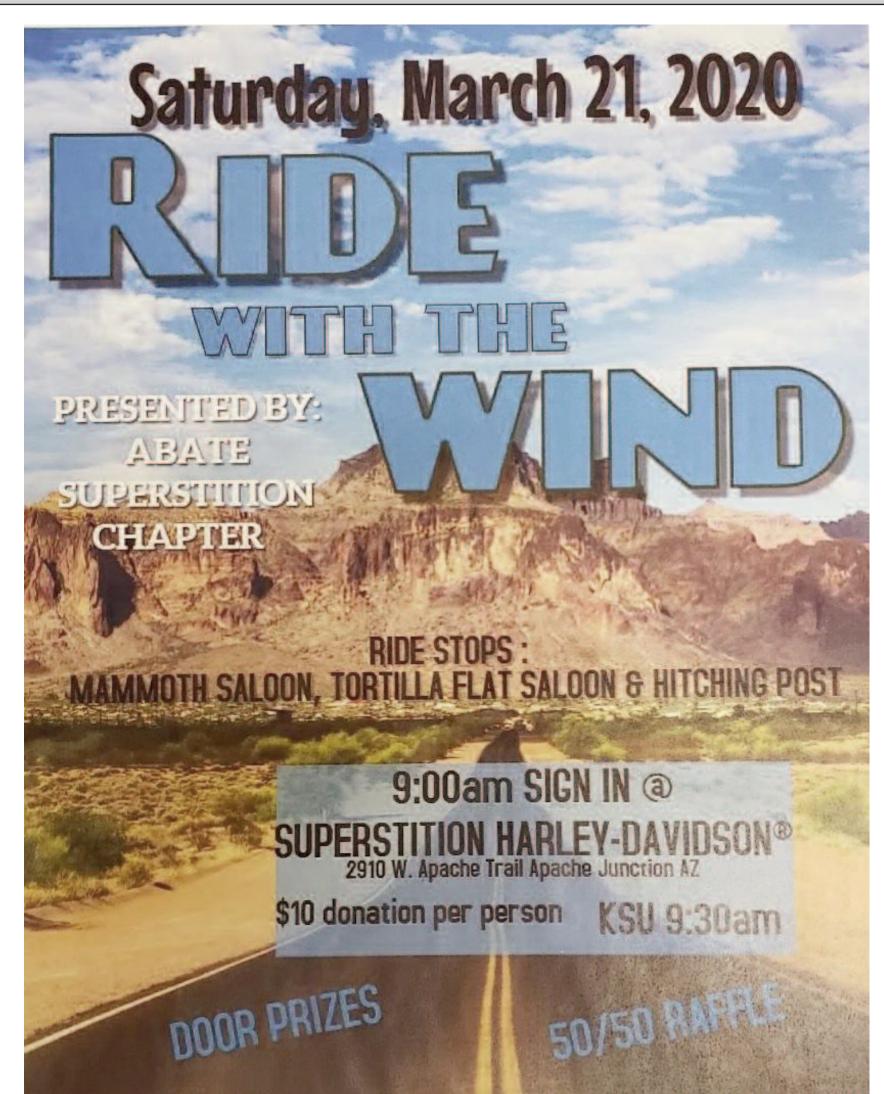
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recipient or for that veteran's surviving spouse, if the purple heart recipient sustained an injury resulting from a list of specified actions and the recipient served in at least one of a list of specified theaters of operation. The exemption from vehicle license taxes and registration fees for a veteran with a 100 percent disability or that veteran's surviving spouse applies only if the disability resulted from combat related injuries sustained in any of a list of specified theaters of operation. The exemption from vehicle license taxes and registration fees for a surviving spouse or surviving dependent of a deceased member of the U.S. military who was killed in the line of duty or who died from injuries suffered in the line of duty applies only if the death or injuries occurred in any of a list of specified theaters of operation. First sponsor: Rep. Blackman (R - Dist 6) Others: Rep. Biasiucci (R - Dist 5)

H2384 Daily History Date Action VLT AND REGISTRATION FEE EXEMPTIONS 2/13 from House trans with amend #4207.

VLT AND REGISTRATION FEE EXEMPTIONS 2/12 House trans amended; report awaited.

VLT AND REGISTRATION FEE EXEMPTIONS 1/29 referred to House trans, mil-vet.

#### H2442: HIGHWAY SAFETY FEE **REPEAL** [Support]

Repeals the highway safety fee that was previously required to be in an amount established by the Director of the Department of Transportation annually in order to fund 110 percent of the Department of Public Safety Highway Patrol budget for each fiscal year. First sponsor: Rep. Biasiucci (R - Dist 5) Others: Rep. Blackman (R - Dist 6), Rep. Bolick (R - Dist 20), Sen. Borrelli (R -Dist 5), Rep. Carroll (R - Dist 22), Rep. Roberts (R - Dist 11)

H2442 Daily History Date Action HIGHWAY SAFETY FEE REPEAL 2/13from House appro do pass.

HIGHWAY SAFETY FEE REPEAL 2/12House appro do pass; report awaited.

HIGHWAY SAFETY FEE REPEAL 2/6from House trans do pass.

HIGHWAY SAFETY FEE REPEAL 2/5House trans do pass; report awaited.

HIGHWAY SAFETY FEE REPEAL 1/29 referred to House trans, appro.

#### H2473: CRIMINAL SPEEDING [Neutral]

A person is guilty of excessive speeding, a class 3 (lowest) misdemeanor, if the person exceeds the posted speed limit by more than 20 miles per hour, instead of exceeds 85 miles per hour, in locations other than those specified for other speeds.

First sponsor: Rep. Payne (R - Dist 21)

H2473 Daily History	
Date Action	
CRIMINAL SPEEDING 2/13	from
House trans with amend #4209.	

CRIMINAL SPEEDING 2/12 House trans amended; report awaited.

CRIMINAL SPEEDING 1/28 referred to House trans.

#### H2474: PEDESTRIANS; STREET CROSSING; MEDIANS [Neutral]

Pedestrians are prohibited from being on a "median" (defined) for any purpose other than to cross a street. Some exceptions. Violations are a class 2 (mid-level) misdemeanor.

First sponsor: Rep. Payne (R - Dist 21)

H2474 Daily History Date Action

PEDESTRIANS; STREET CROSSING; MEDIANS 2/13 referred to House pub safety.

#### **H2485: PARKED VEHICLES BLOCKING SIDEWALK; PROHIBI-**TION [Neutral]

The prohibition against a person stopping, standing or parking a vehicle on a sidewalk includes stopping, standing or parking a vehicle so that any part of or attachment to the vehicle blocks an area of a sidewalk and impedes continuous pedestrian use of the sidewalk in a manner that is not consistent with the Americans With Disabilities Act. A per-

son who stops, stands or parks a vehicle on a sidewalk is subject to a civil penalty of at least \$500.

First sponsor: Rep. Carroll (R - Dist 22) Others: Rep. Biasiucci (R - Dist 5), Rep. Bolick (R - Dist 20), Rep. Cobb (R - Dist 5), Rep. Lawrence (R - Dist 23), Sen. Livingston (R - Dist 22), Rep. Longdon (D - Dist 24), Rep. Pawlik (D - Dist 17), Rep. Payne (R - Dist 21), Rep. Rivero (R - Dist 21), Rep. Thorpe (R - Dist 6), Rep. Toma (R - Dist 22)

H2485 Daily History Date Action PARKED VEHICLES BLOCKING SIDEWALK; PROHIBITION 2/6from House trans with amend #4100.

PARKED VEHICLES BLOCKING SIDEWALK; PROHIBITION 2/5House trans amended; report awaited.

PARKED VEHICLES BLOCKING SIDEWALK; PROHIBITION 1/29 referred to House trans.

#### **H2490: APPROPRIATION; STREET AND HIGHWAY PURPOSES** [Neutral]

Appropriates \$200.5 million from the general fund in FY2020-21 to the State Treasurer for a onetime distribution to counties for highway and street purposes. The amount allocated to each county is specified.

First sponsor: Rep. Fernandez (D - Dist 4)

Others: Sen. Alston (D - Dist 24), Rep. Bolding (D - Dist 27), Rep. Salman (D -Dist 26)

H2490 Daily History Date Action APPROPRIATION; STREET AND HIGHWAY PURPOSES 2/6 from House trans do pass.

APPROPRIATION; STREET AND HIGHWAY PURPOSES 2/5 House trans do pass; report awaited.

APPROPRIATION; STREET AND HIGHWAY PURPOSES 1/29 referred to House trans, appro.

#### H2566: VEHICLE EMISSIONS; CAL-IFORNIA STANDARDS [Oppose]

Department of Environmental Quality rules on motor vehicle and combustion engine emissions are required to incorporate the standards adopted by the California Air Resources Board relating to motor vehicles in effect on January 1, 2019.

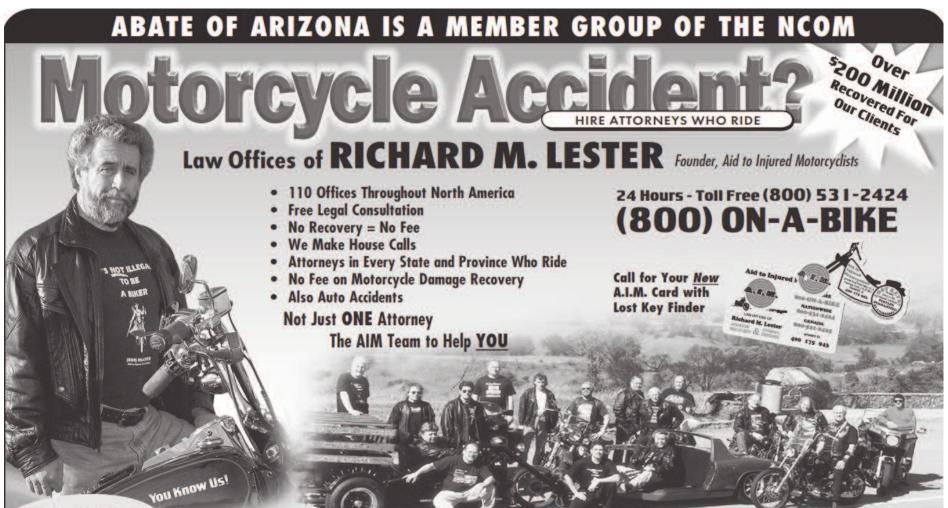
First sponsor: Rep. Engel (D - Dist 10) Others: Rep. Gabaldon (D - Dist 2), Rep. Powers Hannley (D - Dist 9), Rep. Salman (D - Dist 26)

#### Single List Comments:

The economic growth in Arizona is determined so often by governmental regulations or the lack of within a certain industry. We can acknowledge the fact that certain industries must have certain regulations for public safety concerns, such as the illegality of dumping toxic waste in a public landfill.

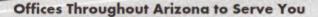
However, the California standard for emissions, aka the CARB standard, violates the black letter that has forced hundreds of businesses in the motorcycle industry to relocate to our beautiful state.

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GILBERT PUBLIC SCHOOLS (PARKING LOT)	<u>View</u>	GILBERT	85234	MARICOPA		(480) 894-0404
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CHANDLER HARLEY- DAVIDSON	<u>View</u>	TEMPE	85283	MARICOPA		(480) 496-680
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#### ATTENTION ALL RIDERS

It has come to our attention that business establishments in Arizona may still be discriminating against motorcyclists. Please carry copies of this form with you at all times. Discrimination can range from a sign stating "No Colors" or "No Motorcycle Parking" or "No Motorcycle Attire" etc.,to simply being asked to leave a place of business , just because you are on a motorcycle or because of your riding attire. If anything like this happens to you, PLEASE fill out this form in its entirety and send it to the address below. Your lobbyist cannot get sponsorship for "equal access" legislation, without evidence of this type of discrimination.

Documentation of Discrimination

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF ESTABLISHMENT:

BUSINESS PHONE (with area code):

#### **Important Phone Numbers**

Aid to Injured Motorcyclists - A.I.M. - (800) 521-2425 24-Hr. Legal Assistance for all accidents

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National Legislative Hot Line - (800) 300-NCOM 24-Hr. Motorcycle Legislative Alerts

National Coalition of Motorcyclists NCOM- (800) 525-5355 Fighting for Bikers Rights

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> Motorcycle Riders Foundation Washington D.C. Office (202) 546-0983

## **SMRO Bills (continued)**

While this has had a negative impact on the California economy, it is a windfall for Arizona.

The ability of a consumer to purchase and install federally approved exhaust systems that increases fuel efficiency would be outlawed under CARB standards. This would impact the motorcycle industry into the hundreds of thousands of dollars upwards into the millions each year.

ABATE of Arizona has stood before the Arizona legislature on many occasions and successfully argued with facts and statistics in reference to the emissions output of a motorcycle on our roads. This is why emissions testing requirements were repealed not only in Pima county but in Maricopa county as well.

Any proposed legislation, although well intentioned, will cost Arizona financially in the way of lost businesses, wage earnings and a lifestyle of freedom. And it is this reason we are opposed to any CARB legislation proposed.

On behalf of the 327,000 motorcyclists and thousands of motorcycle related businesses in our state, we oppose this legislation.

H2566 Daily History Date Action VEHICLE EMISSIONS; CALIFORNIA STANDARDS 1/27 referred to House nat res-energy-water, com.

H2590: ADOT; SIGNS; DRIVING ON RIGHT [Neutral]

The Department of Transportation is required to place on state highways and

al point of entry in the southern part of Arizona. Appropriates \$300,000 from the general fund in FY2020-21 to the House of Representatives to pay for the study. The Committee is required to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by December 15, 2020, and self-repeals January 1, 2021.

First sponsor: Rep. Rivero (R - Dist 21)

H2606 Daily History Date Action TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUC-TURE STUDY COMMITTEE 2/13 referred to House trans, appro.

#### H2630: MOTORCYCLE SAFETY FUND [Support]

The Director of the Department of Transportation is required to deposit \$1 of each motorcycle registration fee collected in the Motorcycle Safety Fund through June 30, 2025, extended four years from June 30, 2021. First sponsor: Rep. Bolick (R - Dist 20) Others: Rep. Biasiucci (R - Dist 5), Rep. Blackman (R - Dist 6), Rep. Nutt (R -Dist 14)

H2630 Daily History Date Action MOTORCYCLE SAFETY FUND 2/13 from House trans do pass.

MOTORCYCLE SAFETY FUND 2/12 House trans do pass; report awaited.

MOTORCYCLE SAFETY FUND 1/30 referred to House trans.

H2659: TECH CORRECTION; TRAFFIC SCHOOL; LICENSES [Neutral]

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routes signs that educate the public about the requirement to drive a vehicle on the right half of the roadway except in specified circumstances.

First sponsor: Rep. Griffin (R - Dist 14) Others: Rep. Dunn (R - Dist 13), Rep. Grantham (R - Dist 12), Rep. Nutt (R -Dist 14)

H2590 Daily History Date Action ADOT; SIGNS; DRIVING ON RIGHT 1/27 referred to House trans.

#### H2606: TRANSPORTATION INFRA-STRUCTURE STUDY COMMITTEE [Neutral]

Establishes an 11-member Transportation Infrastructure Study Committee to study the feasibility of constructing, maintaining and improving transportation infrastructure to Phoenix from an internationMinor change in Title 28 (Transportation) related to traffic survival schools. Apparent striker bus. First sponsor: Rep. Campbell (R - Dist 1)

H2659 Daily History Date Action No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.

#### H2660: TECH CORRECTION; VEHI-CLE ACCIDENT REPORT [Neutral]

Minor change in Title 28 (Transportation) related to vehicle accident reports. Apparent striker bus. First sponsor: Rep. Campbell (R - Dist 1) H2660 Daily History Date Action

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**SMRO Bills (continued)** 

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No actions posted for this bill within the requested time frame.

#### H2661: TECH CORRECTION; OVERTAKING BICYCLES [Neutral]

Minor change in Title 28 (Transportation) related to overtaking bicycles. Apparent striker bus. First sponsor: Rep. Campbell (R - Dist 1)

H2661 Daily History Date Action

H2664: TECH CORRECTION: HOV LANES; DEGRADATION [Neutral] Others: Rep. Gabaldon (D - Dist 2), Rep. Rodriguez (D - Dist 27), Rep. Salman (D - Dist 26)

Jacque Watson

Ron Kool

Koby Krick

H2699 Daily History Date Action DRIVER LICENSE FEES; HOMELESS EXEMPTION 2/13 referred to House trans, appro.

#### S1094: VEHICLE ACCIDENTS; FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY VERIFICATION [Support]

**When the Department of** Transportation verifies the financial responsibility of the

2/13 further referred to Senate transpub safety.

VEHICLE ACCIDENTS; FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY VERIFICATION 1/13 referred to Senate rules.

#### S1115: VETERANS OF OVERSEAS CONFLICTS PLATES [Neutral]

The Department of Transportation is required to issue veterans of overseas conflicts special license plates if a person pays \$32,000 in start-up costs by December 31, 2020. Of the \$25 annual fee, \$8 is an administrative fee and \$17 is a donation to the newly established Veterans of Overseas Conflicts Special Plate Fund, to be allocated to a 501(c)(19) organization that is located in Arizona, that services veterans, the military and the community, and that meets other specified requirements. First sponsor: Sen. Borrelli (R - Dist 5) Others: Sen. Gowan (R - Dist 14) Todd Watson

VETERANS OF OVERSEAS CON-FLICTS PLATES2/4 from Senate rules okay.

VETERANS OF OVERSEAS CON-FLICTS PLATES1/30 from Senate trans-pub safety do pass.

VETERANS OF OVERSEAS CON-FLICTS PLATES1/29 Senate transpub safety do pass; report awaited.

VETERANS OF OVERSEAS CON-FLICTS PLATES1/13 referred to Senate trans-pub safety.

Minor change in Title 28 (Transportation) related to high occupancy vehicle lanes. Apparent striker bus.

First sponsor: Rep. Campbell (R - Dist 1)

#### H2699: DRIVER LICENSE FEES; HOMELESS EXEMPTION [Neutral]

Fees for driver licenses and nonoperating identification licenses do not apply to any person, instead of only a veteran, who does not have a residence address or whose residence address is a homeless shelter.

First sponsor: Rep. Bolding (D - Dist 27)

owner of a motor vehicle involved in an accident in Arizona, the Dept cannot suspend the driver license or registration privilege of the person appearing as the registered owner of the vehicle in Dept records if the person is able to provide proof the the vehicle was sold before the accident "occurred," instead of before "the date of the accident." First sponsor: Sen. Livingston (R - Dist 22)

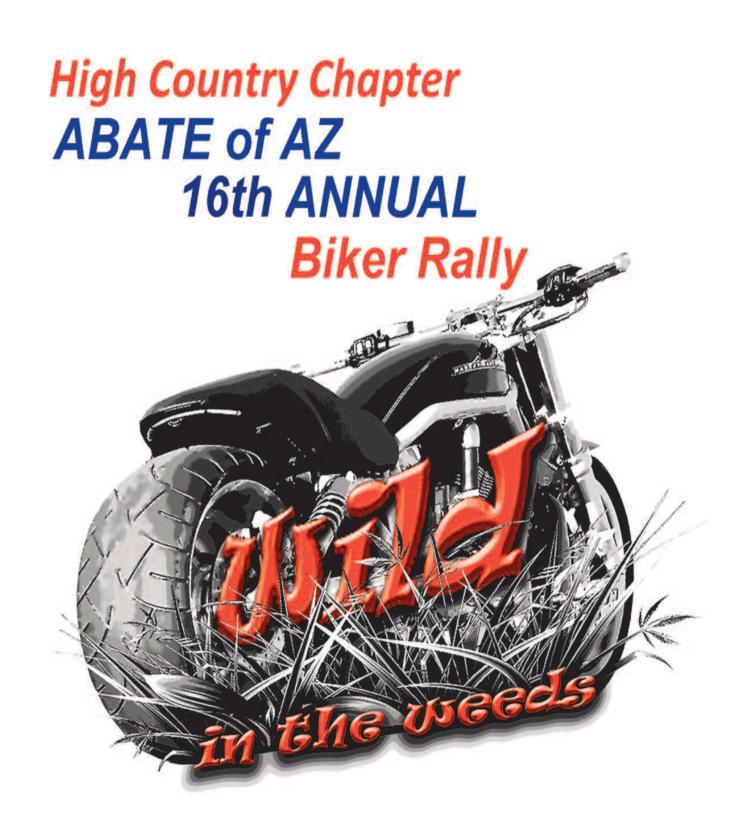
S1094 Daily History Date Action VEHICLE ACCIDENTS; FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY VERIFICATION S1115 Daily History Date Action VETERANS OF OVERSEAS CON-FLICTS PLATES2/6 passed Senate 28-1; ready for House.

#### S1252: REPEAL; GOD WE TRUST PLATES [Neutral]

Repeals statutes authorizing "In God We Trust" special license plates. First sponsor: Sen. Mendez (D - Dist 26) Others: Sen. Quezada (D - Dist 29), Rep. Salman (D - Dist 26)

S1252 Daily History Date Action REPEAL; GOD WE TRUST PLATES 1/23 referred to Senate trans-pub safety.





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