I am asked all the time "why don't we have this law or that law" and "it can't be that difficult" to get a certain piece of legislation passed through the legislature. Let me explain a few things to you. Navigating the legislative process is akin to "catching lightning in a bottle." It's a phrase often used to describe a nearly impossible feat, an occurrence so rare that it seems to defy logic and nature itself. For those outside the political arena, passing legislation can appear just that: impossible. Yet, with strategic planning, careful orchestration, and relentless effort, what may seem like a freak act of nature can be transformed into a meticulously planned endeavor. Let's dive into what it takes to bottle up that lightning bolt and turn an idea into a law.

Before we can explore the steps to getting legislation passed, let's understand why the analogy of "catching lightning in a bottle" is so apt. Lightning is unpredictable, fast, and powerful — much like the legislative process. Legislative proposals can die at any point, face unexpected resistance, or be transformed entirely before becoming law. Usually less than 5% of bills introduced actually make it to the Governor's desk. Also, the political landscape is dynamic, with shifting alliances, changing priorities, and competing interests, all acting like stormy clouds that make it harder to capture that single bolt of light.

Now, imagine standing in the middle of a storm, holding a bottle, hoping to catch that one strike. It's a daunting task, isn't it? That's exactly what it feels like when trying to pass a piece of legislation. But, with a solid plan and a deep understanding of the process, you can do much more than just hope; you can strategically position yourself to succeed. And that is what ABATE has done over the years.

Introduction of Bills: The number of bills introduced each year has varied, with a peak of 1899 bills in 2021 and a low of 1180 bills in 2017[1].

Bills Signed into Law: The number of bills signed into law also fluctuated, with a high of 478 in 2021 and a low of 96 in 2020

The following data chart summarizes the number of bills introduced and the number signed into law each year.

Now take a look at our list of accomplishments: **2017** Successfully prevented mandatory helmet legislation;

Bills Introduced and Signed into Law (2014-2024)			
Year	Bills Introduced	Bills Signed into Law	
2024	1798	290	
2023	1675	240	
2022	1747	422	
2021	1899	478	
2020	1734	96	
2019	1418	346	
2018	1329	374	
2017	1180	384	
2016	1361	412	
2015	1252	360	
2014	1318	313	

Reestablished Motorcycle Safety Fund for 5 years; Helped pass the Teen Texting Bill; helped pass Civil Asset Forfeiture changes.

2018 Introduced anti-profiling legislation; Introduced Class M requirements to register a motorcycle; Stakeholder for Lane Splitting bill; Advocated against the adoption of California Emissions standards in Arizona; Helped pass "Pam's Law".
2019 Anti-profiling legislation passed unanimously; mandatory helmet law with fees attached defeated; Helped pass hands free texting law; Legislation excluding "slingshot" type 3 wheeled vehicles from Class M Applicability.

2020 Repeal of the \$32 highway safety fee; advocated against CARB standards successfully.

2021 Continuation of Motorcycle Safety Fund for another 4 years; defeated CARB legislation for the 3rd time in 4 years.

2022 Motorcycle Lane Filtering in Arizona

2023 Secure Load law expanded to ALL Arizona roadways

If you look at the data, we shouldn't have been this successful over the years. Even though the team we have put in place to win has been able to catch lightning in a bottle, we still need your support and help along the way.

Be good to one another!

Michael Infanzon

Managing Partner, EPIC Policy Group 10210 N 32nd St, Ste C213; Phoenix, AZ 85028 602,456,2453 work cell

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Board of Director meetings are held via Zoom on the 1st Saturday of Jan, Apr, Jul, & Oct after the State Officers meeting. Members are Welcome.

ABATE of Arizona State Office is located at: AZ American-Italian Club 7509 N. 12th Street, Suite #200 Phoenix, AZ 85020





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Annual dues support our lobbying and safety programs across the state

- Individual Membership: \$30 annually
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- Business Membership: \$150 annually
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- Individual Lifetime Membership: \$350
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State Officers For 2024/2025

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State Officer meetings are held the 1st Saturday of every month, 11:00 am via Zoom. Members are Welcome.

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SECURE YOUR LOAD LAW WENT INTO EFFECT September 19, 2024!!!



On ALL Arizona roads not just highways. Thanks to Senator Shawnna Bolick for sponsoring this important legislation and championing safety on the roads!

Ch. 183, Laws 2024 (SB1376 - Vehicle loads; restrictions) Extends vehicle load restrictions from highways to streets and roadways, applied uniformly throughout Arizona and in all its political subdivisions. Exempts vehicles being used for agricultural purposes on a farm.

If you have questions about the new law, please contact ABATE's Designated Lobbyist,

Mike Infanzon at mike@abateofaz.org

Hello to all my fellow Freedom Fighters!

As I sit down to write this, summer is officially winding down. The days are getting a little shorter, the nights are cooler, and the humidity has dropped. The night time low here in Tucson is finally back to less than 70 degrees. As the rest of the country prepares for winter we here in the desert areas of Arizona are gearing up for the best riding weather.

As I look over the calendar I see many, many upcoming events. Every year there is a big increase in activity as the calendar flips over to October. The Arizona Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs is holding their annual fund raising event THE RIOT ON THE RIVER! This takes place the weekend of November 14th thru the 17th at the Winkleman Gila River Park. ABATE of Arizona is a charter member of the ACMC and I encourage everyone to attend. I try to attend every year and have always had a great time. It is really a good time to meet riders from all around the state and ABATE members from other chapters. I hope to see you there. As always when attending these events please wear your ABATE gear and let those hosting know that you are an ABATE member and you are supporting their event.

It is also at this time of year that



we need to prepare for our Chapter elections. Every Chapter should be starting the process of nominations for the various officer positions. I strongly encourage every member to really consider stepping up to fill one of the positions in your Chapter. I can truly say the serving my fellow ABATE members as an officer has been very rewarding.

All of our officers serve on a volunteer basis. Most officer positions

do not require a large commitment of time. If you are interested on running for an office please contact your Chapter coordinator and talk with them about what may be the required duties and time commitment needed. I assure you it is a very rewarding experience. I also would like to encourage members to consider running for a State Officer position. There are a few openings at this time so those positions will also be open.

Many of you may have seen the posts regarding our efforts to increase membership. We have initiated a drive to increase our membership. By doing this ABATE of Arizona can become a more powerful organization and make ALL of your voices heard loudly across the great state of Arizona! We are asking all members to make conscious effort to promote membership in ABATE of Arizona! There are several levels of membership such as individual membership, sustaining membership and life membership as well as business membership and club membership. Each level has its own benefits. There is an application printed in the Master-Link and you can get applications from your membership officers.

I am preparing to travel to St Louis to attend the Meeting of the Minds



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conference put on by the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF). This year it is being held in St Louis, MO. September 26 thru 29. This year marks the 40th year for Meeting of the Minds. To celebrate, they are returning to the city where the first MOTM was held.

We also have our annual State Membership Meeting coming up in November! In an effort to improve our visibility and our image, the meeting will be held at the Double Tree by Hilton

Phoenix North, located 10220 N Metro Parkway East, Phoenix, AZ on November 16, 2024 from 5PM to 8PM. There will be a pre-meeting reception. During the reception ALL ABATE Business Members are encouraged to provide business information, displays or promote any and all merchandise related to their business. Other activities after the pre-meeting will include dinner, guest speakers from the state government and the motorcycling community, plus other activities TBD. There is a room block secured for those who wish to spend the night on Saturday. I hope to see many of our members at this event.

Please as you go about your travels either on your bike or in your cage, be aware of what is around you. This time of year we get a big influx of winter visitors and college students who are away from home for the first time, and who may not be familiar with the area etc. The weather can also be very changeable especially in the higher elevations. Watch those around you and always be prepared for whatever you may encounter. Ride safe out there folks.

Until next month! Ride Free!! *Jim*

Local ABATE Chapters

Coyote Pass Chapter

Coordinator	Eric Spurr
V. Coord	Mike Degrood
Secretary	Jeri Wise
Treasurer	Denise Green
Sgt at Arms	Tom Love
Membership	Open
Runs/Events	Mike Degrood
Safety Coordinator	Open
PAC	Open
Communications [acting]	Mike Degrood
Merchandise	Open
BOD Rep	Open

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The Coyote Pass Chapter meets the second Tuesday of the month at 6pm. Calico's Restaurant, 928-753-5005 418 W. Beale St.; Kingman, AZ 86401

East Valley Chapter

Coordinator	Joe Silk
V. Coord	Jeff Gorall
Secretary	Julie Reemelin
Treasurer	Laura Hershey
Sgt at Arms	Jeff Gorall
Membership	Joe Silk
Runs/Events	Open
Safety Coordinator	Matthew Reemelin
PAC	Gary Crawford
Communications	Joe Silk
Merchandise	Open
BOD Rep	Rick Ferguson

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The East Valley Chapter meets at 10:00 AM (9am breakfast) on the 3rd Sunday of every month at the American Legion Post 138 **NEW LOCATION**

1264 W University Dr, Mesa NE Corner of Alma School & University

Globe Chapter

Coordinator	Brian Fogle
Secretary	Jeffrey Burke
Treasurer	Danny Rawley

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Chapter meetings are being held on the 3rd Friday of the month at 6:30pm at American Legion Henry Berry Post #4 645 S Broad St; Globe, AZ 85501

High Country Chapter

Coordinator	Open
V. Coord	Open
Secretary	Thomas Stocks
Treasurer	Open
Sgt at Arms	Roy Whiting
Membership	Denise 'Spitfire' Trolinder
Runs/Events	Jacque 'Daisi' Whiting
Safety Coordinator	Roy 'Fatboy' Whiting
PAC	Open
Communications	Marty Bernal
Merchandise	Gail Howard
Media	Marty Bernal
BOD Rep	Barry 'Double B' Bell

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Mohave Chapter

Coordinator	Tom Aydt
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Secretary	Open
Treasurer	Open
Sgt at Arms	Emmette Tucker
Membership	Cynde Aydt
Runs/Events	Open
Safety Coordinator	Gary Vick
PAC	Denny Lange
Communications	Tom Aydt
Merchandise	Open
Media	Open
BOD Rep	Gary Vick

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Mohave County Chapter meetings are held the 3rd Monday of the month 6:00 PM at: VFW Golden Valley Post 2555 6068 Supai Dr.; Golden Valley, AZ 86413

Phoenix Chapter

Coordinator	Scot 'One T' Williamson
V.Coord	Jay 'One Y' Williamson
Secretary	Jay 'One Y' Williamson
Treasurer	,
Sgt at Arms	Gavin Granmo
Membership	John Marshall
Runs/Events	Cliff Prentice
Safety Coordinator	Ernie Lizarraga
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Phoenix/Shadow Mountain meetings are held on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 12:30pm at VFW Post-1433

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Southern Arizona Chapter

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The Southern Arizona Chapter meets the third Saturday of the month at 10AM at the Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge 2660 W. Ruthrauff Rd., Tucson, AZ 85705

Coordinator	Timothy Thomas
V. Coord	Dan Tumey
Secretary	Dixie Gray
Treasurer	Open
Sgt at Arms	Lori Kludt
Membership	Holli Woosley
Runs/Events	Open
Safety Coordinator	Andrew 'AJ' Killian
PAC	Open
Communications	Open
Merchandise	Dennis Banners
Media	Open
BOD Rep	Dennis Banners

Meet us at 6:30pm on the 4th Tuesday of each month VFW Bucky O'Neill Post 541 202 N Arizona Ave ; Prescott 86301

Yuma Chapter

Coordinator	Open
V. Coord	Frank White
Secretary	Open
Treasurer	Douglas Kreag
Sgt at Arms	Open
Membership	Douglas Kreag
Runs/Events	Open
Safety Coordinator	Open
PAC	Open
Communications	Open
Merchandise	Open
Media	Open
BOD Rep	Frank White

Contact Frank 'Hound' White, 209-327-0814 for meetings details, etc

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MRF News: Musical Chair(people)

With Congress back in town after an extended summer recess, conversations about who will be in charge come 2025 are swirling. While the Presidential contest is the main event, the narrow margins in the U.S. Senate and U.S. House also

have huge implications.

The party with the majority of seats in Congress holds control of Congressional committees. So, the party with more seats also picks the chairs of the committees. Chairs set the committee agenda, decide what bills to consider and what bills to hold hearings on. Two key committees the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) focuses on, the House Energy and Commerce and the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, face leadership changes.

If Republicans hold the House, the Energy & Commerce Committee will have a new head. That's because current Chairwoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers of Washington State is retiring. Her retirement leaves open the leadership of one of the most powerful committees in Congress. If the Democrats take the House, former Chairman Frank Pallone of New Jersey will likely take the gavel back. This committee has jurisdiction over the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and Right to Repair bills, so its actions significantly impact bikers.

The House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee also may see a leadership change. Current Chair Sam Graves of Missouri faces a 6-year term limit Republicans place on committee heads. Chairman Graves is considering seeking a waiver to remain the top Republican on the committee, but it is unclear if he will receive that extension. If he is unsuccessful, several other committee Republicans have announced their plans to jump in the race. On the other side of the aisle, Rep. Rick Larsen of Washington State is the odds-on favorite to lead the Democrats. With a new highway bill on the horizon, the MRF is watching this race with great interest.

Congress is not a static body. Lawmakers come and go, and their power ebbs and flows. While the cast of characters is ever-changing, the MRF is here to stay. That is why the MRF has boots on the ground in D.C. to be your voice, regardless of who has the reins of power.

About Motorcycle Riders Foundation

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) provides leadership at the federal level for states' motorcyclists' rights organizations as well as motorcycle clubs and individual riders. The MRF is chiefly concerned with issues at the national and international levels that impact the freedom and safety of American street motorcyclists. The MRF is committed to being a national advocate for the advancement of motorcycling and its associated lifestyle and works in conjunction with its partners to help educate elected officials and policymakers in Washington and beyond.

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Chapter Reports

Coyote Pass Chapter

On August 27, members of ABATE-AZ's Coyote Pass Chapter gathered at the Route 66 sign in Kingman to take a new group photo. While not everyone was able to participate, it still turned out to be a good group.

Thanks go out to Becky Spurr at Inspurrations Photography for the photos and editing. Contact: Mike Degrood Coyote Pass Vice Coordinator 661-332-2308, way2coolwheels@yahoo.com

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The Coyote Pass Chapter meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at Calico's Restaurant, 928-753-5005 418 W. Beale St.; Kingman, AZ 86401 ###

East Valley Chapter

We are getting closer to moving to Post 138's new location, at the NE Corner of Alma School and University in Mesa. Post 138 will be having a soft opening event on October 19th and our chapter meeting will be held there on October 20th. Post 138 is offering the opportunity for people or businesses to donate & sponsor new bar stools. Our chapter agreed to contribute and one of the new bar stools will have ABATE's name and logo engraved onto its back.

Our September meeting included



guests from the Latin American Motorcycle Association (LAMA not ALMA). They are a riding group that includes members throughout the valley. We met them at a recent membership booth.

We invited any District 8 candidate who cared to learn about ABATE to attend our September meeting. The only candidate that responded was Roxana Holzapfel. Roxana gave a great presentation on her agenda and kept it politically neutral. Roxana took away an understanding of what ABATE does and the various legislative actions we have taken and accomplished the past vears.

With cooler weather the comes many new opportunities for membership booths. We will be at Scottsdale HD's bike night; held on the last Wednesday of each month from 6-8pm. Come and check it out. We also have membership booth opportunities at ALR Post 2 on Sept 28th and other Scorpion HD bike night events; those locations & times TBD.

Chapter officer nominations are due and can be accepted until the November chapter meeting. chapter BOD nominee is Rick Ferguson.

October 13th is the date of the annual bowling challenge between the Phoenix and East Valley Chapters. The event will be held at Mesa East Bowling Alley - East of Ellsworth on Broadway.

Contact: Joe Silk EV Chapter Coordinator 480-628-8598, miterangers@msn.com

The East Valley Chapter meets at 10AM (9am breakfast) on the 3rd Sunday of every month at American Legion Post 138. October's meeting will be at 1264 W University Dr, Mesa NE Corner of University & Alma School

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Chapter Reports

Mohave Chapter

Our last chapter meeting was on Monday, August 19. We still have some officer positions open. We set a date of Saturday, October 19 for our next highway cleanup. We wanted to wait until the temperatures cool down. Our next meeting is next Monday, September 16.

My wonderful wife Cynde who is also the state membership officer is also the chapter membership and secretary. She went back to Minnesota for a week and a half to attend the Minnesota State ABATE Rally in Litchfield, MN from 8/29 to 9/2 at the county fairgrounds. Even though we live in AZ she still maintains her membership in the Metro Chapter in MN. Cynde ran first aid for 5 years and I helped for 3 years. Attached is a picture of the first aid building.

Cynde and I were married on 8/17/13. Instead of a honeymoon we had a rallymoon.

That is all I have for now. Until next month stay safe and ride safe. Tom Aydt

Tom Aydt, Mohave Chapter Coordinator Contact: 715-651-0770, tamedic1969@yahoo.com https://www.facebook.com/groups/263121160987524/



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Mohave County Chapter meetings are held at 6pm on the 3rd Monday of the month at: VFW Golden Valley Post 2555; 6o68 Supai Dr.; Golden Valley, AZ 86413 ###

Phoenix Chapter

Hi all! One T here. We had another great meeting on September 8; with 20 people and a lot of great conversations. Our meetings are fun, informative and there's always some laughter.

The VFW Post 1433 where we hold our meetings is welcoming and friendly. They also host a bike night every second Saturday from 7pm to close. All are welcome. Come out & see us.

The Post has a lot going on. To learn more about all the activities hosted by VFW Post 1433, contact John Dutemple at 623-810-9481.

Come to our ABATE meetings every second Sunday at 12:30pm 'Til next month, have fun.

Speaking of fun ...

This note was shared by Kelly Durbin Marshall to the Phoenix Chapter public group on facebook for all to read & take part "Hello all! I am the Communications Officer of the Phoenix Chapter and I would like you all to come out and support RR Harley Davidson. Bring your kiddos for some fun trunk or treating. Decorate your bike and have some fun. I will be there (in costume) representing ABATE with flyers and giveaways. For any new people that sign up this night only, they will get

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their name in a raffle to win a basket that I am creating. Pass it along and I hope to see you there!"

RR Harley Davidson in Goodyear is hosting their HarleyWeen Bike Night on October 24 from 6-9pm.

Contact: One T (text only) at 480-768-8747,

<u>Ldmaau56a@gmail.com</u>

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High Country Chapter

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HCC meets 3rd Saturdays @ 10:30a, b'fast 9am @ Stanford Store, (928) 537-7755 4 Apache County Rd 8235; (Stanford Rd), Vernon, AZ ###

Chapter Reports

Southern AZ Chapter

Contact: Jeremy Krauss 520-305-0231 or jeremykrauss@gmail.com

The Southern Arizona Chapter meets the third Saturday of the month at 10am at the Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge, 2660 W. Ruthrauff Rd., Tucson, AZ 85705

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Yavapai Chapter

Contact: Timothy, 360-720-3465 or tntblaster@netzero.net

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Meet us at 6:30pm on the 4th Tuesday of each month at VFW Bucky O'Neill Post 541, 202 N Arizona Ave; Prescott 86301 ###

Yuma Chapter

is reorganizing. Want to help share the message of Motorcyclists Rights, Safety, & Awareness in the Yuma area?

Contact Frank 'Hound' White 209-327-0814 ###

Please Support Our Renewing Business Member: NW Tucson Moose Lodge

The Moose organization is a network of fraternal Lodges throughout the United States, four Canadian provinces, plus Great Britain. The Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge #2543 is located at 2660 W Ruthrauff Road in Tucson, AZ 85705. Contact them by phone at 520-406-5565 or

email

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The Moose about celebrating life, serving those in need, gatherings, social service. community and more. Moose Lodges have a posi-

tive impact in their communities ... Volunteer hours and activities are valued between \$75 to \$100 million worth annually (counting monetary donations, volunteer hours worked and miles driven) in over 1500 communities. {from their website https:// www.mooseintl.org/ }

With this in mind, riders are encouraged to come out and support the NW Tucson Moose Riders' Toy Run. It will take place on Saturday No-

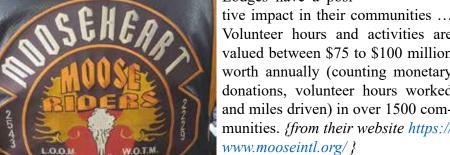


NW Moose Lodge 2543

A burden heavy to one is borne lightly by many.

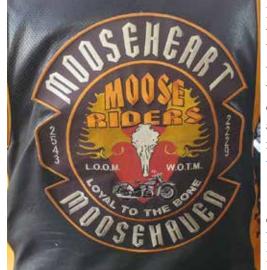
Northwest Tucson Moose Lodge 2543

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vember 16, starting at 10:30am. The cost to participate is \$15 per single or \$20 per couple on one (1) bike. Toy donations are appreciated. Proceeds and toys benefit Davis Monthan AFB Airmen families, and "More Than a Bed" Foster Care service.

NW Tucson Moose Lodge #2543 hosts the ABATE-AZ's Southern AZ Chapter meetings. They are held on the third Saturday of the month at 10am. All are welcome to attend.



Please Support Our Business Member: AZ Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs

The ACMC [AZ Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs] is made up of Arizona Motorcycle Clubs and Organizations which have come together in unity to facilitate and broaden communication amongst its Members, within the riding community and general public. It serves to educate both riders and the non-riding public on all of the positive aspects of motorcycling and to warn against and oppose any intrusion(s) upon their rights to live and ride free.

Members of the Arizona Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs [ACMC] "are a select group of Elite Clubs and Organizations who banded together in a fight for Freedom and stand in defense of American rights, which include the illegal profiling of Motorcycle Clubs, and the Constitutional Rights of all Mo-









torcyclists." from their website https://azcmc.org/

To aid in their mission, the ACMC hosts an annual fund-raiser called the Riot on the River. This year, that event will take place over the weekend of November 14-17. The rally takes place in the town of Winkelman at Gila River Park. ALL riders are welcome! Activities will include games, vendors, a wet t-shirt contest, & more. There will be live music from 2-6pm on Saturday. Your entry fee of \$20/single or \$\$30/couple includes a smoked dinner on Saturday night. Free dry camping spaces are available on a first-come, first-served basis. No glass allowed on site; cans only. For more information, contact ACMC Vice President Bill Bracken at billetldmc@gmail.com



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- (b) Has a speed limit that does not exceed forty-five miles per hour.
- 2. Travels at a speed that does not exceed fifteen miles per hour.

Lane Filtering information cards are now available from your local Chapter

Let's talk about our Safety When Riding for a moment...

I'm not talking about gear, intoxication, speed. I'm talking about Mindfulness.

You can talk about what's 'right', all day long. What your rights are, who's at fault, how those who "don't see us" are killing us.... all the live long day. Uh huh.

Does that keep us alive? Does anybody's righteous indignation or knowledge of the law keep them alive?

No. It does not. Because there is always someone on the road with you that isn't thinking about your life and your safety.

Pull up at a light and look around you. Or glance at the drivers on the interstate around you. They are NOT your friend. They are NOT thinking, oh look, there's Jiggs! Let's be sure we don't mess up and cause her to be hurt.

That's right. We HAVE to deal with WHAT IS. And when riding, the most important thing of all, the biggest "what is"... is actually.... WHAT COULD BE.

The guy behind you drops his joint and frantically dives for it before it scars his carpet or upholstery. He slams into the back of you.

The lady beside you is squinting at

her cell phone just for a second. Because she got a text and wants to read it... She moves over into your lane... running you off the road.

Traffic slows to a crawl and you see in your mirrors that the car approaching behind you does not appear to be slowing enough. There is a truck in front of you, and cars on either side of you.... Where are you going?

You are riding out in the country, approaching a curve. Could there be a deer about to run out or an opossum in the road?

These scenarios, and many more like them, are the very circumstances under which we lose our lives. Being right does not keep us alive, Beloveds.

I am constantly looking for my escape route. How much room is there between those cars? How much room is there between this lane on the Interstate and the concrete median? Which side of the back of the vehicle in front of me am I going to stop near, in case I need to move into the space between cars if someone approaches behind me and does not look like they are going to be stopping? Where is the best place for

me in this blind curve? How am I going to signal my presence to the inattentive drivers around me?

Thinking like this is also why I don't like to ride with other riders much. I can't turn this sort of thinking off & don't want to. And I can't know what others will do.

Many years ago, I said the same things to some friends in a chat room. A couple of my friends said that I asked too much; that if they rode like this it would take all the fun out of riding.

Well I'm telling ya, riding very often IS my church. There is no diminution of my pleasure.

And those who thought I was taking the pleasure out of my ride are no longer with us.

We are not in control of those we share the road with. Not ever. We are only in control of ourselves.

Please ride like your fragile life depends on each moment, each decision; on evaluating and executing maneuvers constantly... Because it does.

I borrowed this from my good friend Cynthia Howell Hodges

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MAP Report

ABATE of AZ's Motorcycle Awareness Program Report

Motorcycle Awareness classes are scheduled for Oct 14, 21, 28, and Nov 18. Please support ABATE's mission statement and become a certified instructor. The presentation doesn't have to be a high school drivers ed class and could be presented to perhaps a residential community or a business. We are working on expanding the schools to include Scottsdale and Paradise Valley. This year we have an opportunity to present the program to Flagstaff HS – estimated date is October 25th.

It is important to expand our program to as many schools as possible. This requires volunteers who can present information and / or conduct the program's outdoor demonstration.

The Motorcycle Awareness Program (M.A.P.) is an educational program aimed at the target audience of high school students in driver's education classes. There has been a small group of instructors who have volunteered to present the M.A.P. to students throughout the state, but we need more instructors.

Remember, that ABATE's E stands for EDUCATION. Our purpose is to spread the word about safe motorcycling and promote a positive image of motorcyclists. What better way to speak to the future drivers of our state? The students, hopefully, will not only be better equipped car and truck drivers but will also be more aware and watch out for us.

To become and instructor you must:

1. Be available during the day. The presentations in driv-

er's education classes last about an hour during the school day. There may as many as 5 classes in one day.

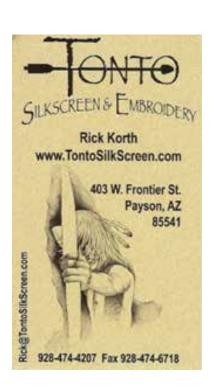
- 2. Be willing to stand up in front of a group of about 30 high school students and speak. That sounds easier than you think. You need to be able to gently maintain control of the group.
- 3. Know the material being presented. There is an outline for all presenters to follow so there is uniformity in the material presented.
- 4. Commit to teaching at least two classes per school year. We hope to have at least one volunteer instructor in each ABATE Chapter. That person will attend an instructor class (about 4 hours), attend a M.A.P. with an experienced instructor, and teach a class with an experienced instructor in attendance. When the new instructor is comfortable and the experienced instructor assesses him/her to be ready, the new instructor may begin teaching alone. The mentor program assures that everyone is teaching the same material and everyone has support.
- 5. Provide record of teaching to M.A.P. Coordinator on a consistent basis.

This is your opportunity to get the word out to new drivers about the importance of sharing the road with motorcyclists. This is your opportunity to support the mission and vision of ABATE in your community.

Contact either MAP Coordinator Jim Silk, 602-312-1927, Jpsilk2264@gmail.com or Joe Silk at 480-628-8598, miterangers@msn.com







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A Short History of Motorcycle Rights in Arizona: Key Milestones and Legislative Victories of ABATE of Arizona

Motorcycle rights advocacy in Arizona has a storied history, marked by significant milestones and legislative victories achieved largely through the persistent efforts of ABATE of Arizona. As the state's largest motorcycle rights organization, ABATE has been instrumental in championing the rights and safety of motorcyclists. This article chronicles the key milestones and legislative victories that highlight ABATE of Arizona's impactful journey in advocating for motorcycle rights.

The Formation of ABATE of Arizona

The inception of ABATE (American Brotherhood Aimed Towards Education) of Arizona dates back to the early 1990s, amid growing concerns among motorcyclists about their rights and safety on the roads. The organization was founded with the mission to preserve the freedom of the road, protect motorcyclists' rights, and promote safe riding practices through education and advocacy. Since its formation, ABATE of Arizona has worked tirelessly to influence legislation, educate riders and the public, and foster a strong community among motorcyclists.

Key Milestones in ABATE of Arizona's History

Establishment of the Motorcycle Safety Fund (2001)

In 2001, ABATE of Arizona played a crucial role in the establishment of the Motorcycle Safety Fund. This fund was created to support motorcycle safety programs, rider education, and awareness campaigns. The organization lobbied extensively for the allocation of resources towards training and safety courses, recognizing that education was key to reducing accidents and fatalities among motorcyclists.

Right-of-Way Legislation (2003)

ABATE of Arizona's advocacy efforts bore fruit in 2003 with the passage of right-of-way legislation aimed at protecting motorcyclists from negligent drivers. The new law imposed harsher penalties on motorists who violated the right-of-way of motorcyclists, thereby enhancing legal protections for riders and promoting greater awareness among all road users about the need to share the road safely.

Eliminated yearly motorcycle emissions testing in Pima and Maricopa Counties (2007 & 2013)

In 2007 and 2013, ABATE of Arizona successfully lobbied to eliminate the requirement for yearly motorcycle emissions testing in Pima and Maricopa Counties. This legislative victory was part of ABATE's broader efforts to reduce regulatory burdens on motorcyclists and promote their rights. The removal of the emissions testing requirement helped streamline the registration process for motorcyclists in these counties and was a significant milestone in ABATE of Arizona's advocacy work.

Anti-Profiling Legislation (2019)

In 2019, ABATE of Arizona secured a legislative victory with the passage of anti-profiling legislation. This law prohibits law enforcement officers from stopping, searching, or detaining motorcyclists based solely on their mode of transportation or appearance. The legislation was a significant step towards protecting the civil rights of motorcyclists and preventing discriminatory practices.

Lane Filtering Bill (2021)

One of the more recent accomplishments of ABATE of Arizona was the successful lobbying for the Lane Filtering Bill in 2021. This legislation allows motorcyclists to filter between lanes of slow-moving or stopped traffic under certain conditions. The bill was designed to improve safety by reducing the risk of rear-end collisions and enhancing the mobility of motorcyclists in congested traffic. Arizona being only the 4th state to pass such legislation.

Expansion of the Secured Load Law (2023)

Building on their previous success, ABATE of Arizona expanded the Secured Load Law in 2023 to include stricter enforcement and higher penalties for violations. This expansion was aimed at further reducing road hazards and ensuring a safer riding environment for motorcyclists. The organization's continued focus on road safety demonstrates its long-term commitment to protecting riders.

Educational and Community Initiatives

Beyond legislative victories, ABATE of Arizona has been a leader in educational and community initiatives aimed at promoting motorcycle safety and rider awareness. The organization regularly conducts rider training programs, public awareness campaigns, and community events to foster a culture of safety and camaraderie among motorcyclists.

Motorcycle Awareness Program

The Motorcycle Awareness Program (MAP), commonly referred to as The MAP Program or Share the Road Program, is a creation of the combined efforts of various state motorcyclists' rights organizations. This program is geared toward teaching the driving public to maintain a greater awareness of the motorcyclists with whom they share the road. The success of the program has led to similar initiatives throughout the world.

ABATE of Arizona's MAP is coordinated by the State Safety Officer of the organization, and is presented throughout Arizona. MAP Certified Instructors guest lecture in driver's education and health studies classes throughout the region. The lecture includes information about how to "Share the Road"

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with motorcycles, vulnerability of motorcyclists, instructional videos and handouts, and an on-site riding demonstration to help visualize information presented.

Funding for the MAP Program is provided by the membership of ABATE of Arizona, through their various fund-raising events and membership dues. Additionally, some product and advertising funds are provided by the Motorcycle Safety Fund, made up of one dollar added registration tax on motorcycles within the state, through the Governor's Office of Highway Safety.

Public Awareness Campaigns

To raise awareness about motorcycle safety and share the road principles, ABATE of Arizona has launched numerous public awareness campaigns including PSA videos. These campaigns often include media outreach, educational materials, and community events designed to inform the public about the unique challenges faced by motorcyclists and the importance of respectful and attentive driving.

Community Events

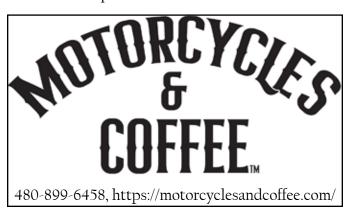
ABATE of Arizona hosts a variety of community events, including charity rides, bike shows, and social gatherings, to build a strong sense of community among motorcyclists. These events provide opportunities for riders to connect, share experiences, and support each other while also raising funds for advocacy and safety initiatives.

The Future of Motorcycle Rights Advocacy

As ABATE of Arizona continues to advocate for the rights and safety of motorcyclists, the organization remains focused on several key areas for future advocacy:

Enhancing Road Infrastructure

ABATE of Arizona is committed to working with state and local governments to enhance road infrastructure for motorcyclists. This includes advocating for motorcycle-friendly road designs, improved signage, and regular maintenance to reduce hazards such as potholes and debris.



Promoting Technological Advancements

The organization is also exploring the potential of technological advancements to improve motorcycle safety. This includes advocating for the integration of motorcycle detection systems in traffic lights, promoting the use of advanced safety gear, and supporting research into innovative safety technologies.

Strengthening Community Engagement

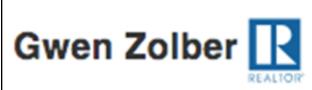
ABATE of Arizona recognizes the importance of community engagement in achieving its goals. The organization plans to continue expanding its outreach efforts, building partnerships with other advocacy groups, and involving more motorcyclists in its initiatives to create a unified and powerful voice for motorcycle rights.

Legislative Vigilance

Remaining vigilant in the legislative arena is crucial for the ongoing protection of motorcyclists' rights. ABATE of Arizona will continue to monitor proposed legislation, lobby for laws that benefit motorcyclists, and oppose measures that threaten their freedoms. The organization's proactive approach ensures that the interests of motorcyclists are always represented at the state, local and federal levels.

The history of motorcycle rights in Arizona is a testament to the dedication and perseverance of ABATE of Arizona. Through its advocacy efforts, the organization has achieved significant legislative victories that have improved the rights, safety, and overall riding experience for motorcyclists across the state. As ABATE of Arizona looks to the future, its commitment to education, community building, and legislative vigilance will continue to drive its mission forward, ensuring that the rights of motorcyclists are protected for generations to come.

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AMSAF News: Riding for the Long Haul 2024

From AMSAF Executive Director Mick Degn:

April 27, 2024 ... AMSAF's 9th year of "Share the Road & Riding for the Long Haul" Fundraiser is completed and we want to thank everyone that

attended or supported the Event. We had around 200 in attendance at our first year at the Marriott Phoenix Chandler Hotel. The event was supported by the State, Police, Healthcare, Insurance, Legal and numerous other businesses.

Our Title Sponsor for the year was Law Tigers and they definitely stepped forward as a Title Sponsor to help make the event successful. We want to thank Law Tigers for everything they did.

This year's theme was 'Hooray For Hollywood'. Numerous people dressed up as their favorite movie characters.

Each year we send out a survey to all our Sponsors on the event and we received an 8.2 score out of 10. The venue and food received high scores.

AMSAF's goal is to help reduce crashes and fatalities in Arizona and make sure Safety and Awareness are high on the radar. We do this with our Scholarship Programs.

AMSAF Programs to Help the Community be Safer

AMSAF Motorcycle Training Program

- · Help individuals and families get into motorcycle training
- Help individuals who are riding without, get a motorcycle endorsement.
- Help individuals and families financially afford training through a Scholarship program

www.amsaf.org/scholarships

AMSAF Helmet Assistance Program

- Help individuals and families financially afford to purchase a good DOT full face or modular helmet if they choose to wear one
- Help those that are not wearing a helmet the ability to get one if that is their desire.

www.amsaf.org/helmets

AMSAF Accident Scene Management Program

• Help promote safety and awareness by offering financial assistance for two (2) courses: A Crash Course or the Motorcyclist (basic course) - learn what to do in the first 5-30 minutes after a crash until professional help arrives and Advanced Bystander Assistance (advanced course) - learn to assist EMS.

www.amsaf.org/asm

Since starting our Scholarship programs, we have helped over 8500 individuals and families in Arizona. Each of our programs can



save the individual up to 50% off the MSRP cost. For a family that is a huge savings.

We are fortunate to receive Grants from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS) to help on these grants. Our event that you so kindly support helps us with the costs of doing these grants. Without this event we could not afford to do the programs that we do. We thank you for your support of AMSAF and what we do to help the Community be safer.

Although our Programs support the motorcycle community, it is a bigger picture than that as we must eliminate distracting driving, understanding the laws like "Lane Filtering." We need to understand the laws and how it affects me or the person I am sharing the road with.

Each year we recognize a business or organization that goes out of their way to help the community be safer and help them financially. This year we recognized Cycle Gear for everything they do in motorcycle safety and their support for our Helmet Program by offering 25% off MSRP when going through our Helmet Scholarship Program. Congratulations to the Team at Cycle Gear for everything they do.

I want to personally thank each and every one of you that helped in so many ways with donations, sponsorship tables, Individual seats. Each of you is important to AMSAF and what you do to help the Community be safer.

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AMSAF News: Riding for the Long Haul 2024

Scholarship update:
Our Scholarship Program for all three (3) programs is open at this time for the 2024-2025
Grant Period. For those of you who are interested in receiving a Scholarship to any of

these three programs ... Helmet Assistance, Accident Scene Management, or the Basic Rider Course – the scholarship application system opens on the first Monday of the month at 8am. Once the allotted scholarships are distributed for the month, the application system closes until the next month; reopening on the first Monday of the month at 8am. Thank you for investing in yourself or family member with our Scholarships.

AMSAF's Riding For the Long Haul 2025 event will take place Saturday May 17 from 5:30 to 9:30pm at Marriott Phoenix Chandler; located at 1600 South Price Rd., Chandler, AZ. This time, the theme will be 'An Evening in Paradise'. Join AMSAF for an evening of tropical fun, island vibes, and fundraising! Dress in your best Hawaiian attire and get ready for: Delicious Cuisine; Live Entertainment; Silent Auction; and much more! FMI: https://www.amsaf.org/rftlh/

Our Mission is to promote Safety & Awareness and help reduce crashes and fatalities in Arizona.

"We believe we must give more than we get and leave more than we take"

"We help save Lives"

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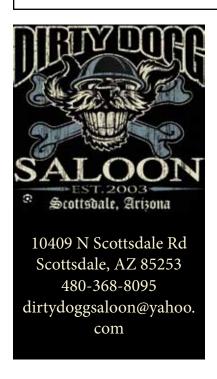
Nov 14-17 {Th-Sun} ACMC {AZ Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs} hosts Riot on the River at Winkleman Park on the Gila River. FMI: BilletLDMC@gmail.com

Nov 16 {Sat}: Christmas Run hosted by NW Tucson Moose Riders of Lodge 2543. Meet 10:30a at NW Tucson Moose Lodge, 2660 W Ruthrauff Rd, Tucson. \$15/sgl, \$2/cpl on one (1) bike. Toy donations are appreciated. Proceeds & toys benefit Davis Monthan AFB Airmen families, and "More Than a Bed" Foster Care service. FMI: 520-406-5565, lodge2543@mooseunits.org

Nov 23 {Sat}: Accident Scene Management Class {ASMC} 100 Series Basic Course; at H-D Scottsdale, 15656 Hayden Rd, Scottsdale. Defray tuition cost with AMSAF Scholarship. FMI: Trauma Mama 602-908-7989, phxaz.asm@gmail.com, https://www.facebook.com/azasm1

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