



Phoenix, AZ — Jan. 20, 2025 - ABATE of Arizona celebrates the introduction of Senate Bill 1107 (SB 1107), which continues to fund critical motorcycle safety initiatives throughout the state. Spearheaded by Senators Shawna Bolick, Carroll, and Miranda, along with Representatives Blackman and Martinez, this legislation reaffirms Arizona’s dedication to protecting the lives of motorcyclists and advancing safety awareness for all road users.

SB 1107 secures the continuation of the Motorcycle Safety Fund, a program that allocates funds derived from motorcycle registration fees, as well as gifts and grants, to support voluntary motorcycle education, awareness, and training programs. Importantly, the bill includes language ensuring these funds are protected exclusively for motorcycle safety purposes, emphasizing that they cannot be diverted for unrelated state budgetary needs.

Safety Beyond the Rider

ABATE of Arizona believes motorcycle safety is not just a concern for motorcyclists—it’s a responsibility shared by all road users. Every rider, driver, and pedestrian benefits from an educated, aware, and safety-conscious community. “Motorcycle safety is a life-or-death issue, and this fund is critical to ensuring every rider gets home safely,” said Michael Infanzon, Legislative Director at ABATE of Arizona. “By focusing on education, awareness, and training, SB 1107 ensures that our state continues to prioritize the well-being of riders and their families. We are grateful for Senator Bolick’s care for motorcycle safety and awareness her entire time in the legislature. She is a true champion for riders.”

Why SB 1107 Matters

SB 1107 takes a comprehensive approach to fostering safety for Arizona’s motorcycle community. The funds will support a range of initiatives, including:

- Voluntary Motorcycle Education Programs: Training courses that provide riders with the skills they need to navigate traffic safely.
- Voluntary Accident Scene Management Classes: Educating all on responding first aid for a rider involved in a crash.
- Voluntary Helmet Upgrade Scholarships: Grant scholarships for purchasing a helmet for riders.
- Awareness Campaigns: Educating drivers about sharing the road with motorcycles.
- Safety Materials: Distributing resources that reinforce critical safety practices.

The bill also establishes fiscal safeguards to protect the Motorcycle Safety Fund, ensuring that contributions are utilized solely for the safety programs they were intended to support.

Collaboration for Safer Roads

ABATE of Arizona is committed to collaborating with legislators, state agencies, and other stakeholders to amplify the effectiveness of this legislation. Through events such as Motorcycle Day at the Dome and public awareness campaigns, ABATE continues to champion the message that motorcycle safety is a shared responsibility.

For more information on ABATE of Arizona’s mission or how you can get involved in supporting SB 1107, please visit abateofaz.org or contact Michael Infanzon at mike@abateofaz.org.

About ABATE of Arizona

ABATE of Arizona is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the rights, safety, and education of motorcyclists in Arizona. Through advocacy, grassroots action, and public education campaigns, ABATE strives to make Arizona’s roads safer for all riders.

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Supporter:	Advocate:	Activist:	Radical:
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Which one are you?

You get more back when you put more in.

Camaraderie, riding buddies, a sense of purpose, feeling of accomplishment

READY to CHANGE LEVELS?

*Your Chapter & State Officers welcome your interest & enthusiasm
 Talk to them about how YOU can help grow & strengthen ABATE of Arizona*

President's Report

Greetings Brothers and Sisters of ABATE of Arizona. This has been a busy month so far. As I write this, it is the middle of January. The weather has been colder and drier than most years and this has had a big effect on the motorcycling community here in the Grand Canyon State. I hope that by the time this is published we are experiencing better weather in February, and you can get out and enjoy riding.

Once again, I would like to welcome all those who have stepped up into new positions as officers for their Chapters. I know this can be a little scary if you have never been an officer before. Do not be afraid or nervous, there are lots of folks who have done this and are willing to help. Do not hesitate to ask for assistance.

We once again have a new legislature. In the past we have had many motorcyclists down at the Capital showing that we are involved with the process. This year we are promoting our [Motorcycle Day at the Dome](#) which will be held on Thursday February 13, 2025. We ask ALL motorcyclists to ride to the State Capital and gather at the Wesley Bolin Plaza across the street from the Capital Dome. We will start gathering at 9AM. Please plan on

attending. Contact your elected representatives and ask them to come out and meet with you, or if you will not be there, please ask them to meet with us.

I would like to once again express how important it is to an organization like ours to expand our membership. We need to do everything possible to promote membership in ABATE of Arizona. If you know other riders who are not members, please encourage them to join. If every member recruited just one additional member we would double in size. Think about that! If the political powers saw our numbers growing at that rate, they would take notice and realize that the motorcycle community is a force to be taken seriously. So please, as you attend events, or are out for your rides, be sure to promote ABATE to other riders you come across. Most riders are not members because they have never been asked. ASK THEM!!

I am not sure how many of you take time to check out the [ABATE of Arizona web site](#). There have been many improvements to the



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site, and it is a great tool for our members and you can even pay your dues or sign up new members on the site. So next time your boss is not around and you're tired of solitaire, check out www.abateofaz.org and see what you have been missing.

It is also important that everyone remembers that *The MasterLink* is not just ABATE of Arizona's newsletter. It is *your* newsletter as well.

Please feel free to submit photos and write a little article on the events you and your fellow riders attend. Promote events that your chapter is planning. Help promote events that other motorcycling groups in your area are hosting. Our editor is always looking for news and stories affecting the motorcycling community. If it cannot fit in one issue it can be carried over into the next as space allows. Please submit what you can to MstrLnk@yahoo.com so let's fill the pages with what's happening here in Arizona.

Until next time! RIDE FREE!
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Secretary.....Jeri Wise
Treasurer.....Denise Green
Sgt at Arms.....Tom Love
Membership.....Open
Runs/Events.....Mike Degrood
Safety Coordinator.....Roger Green
PAC.....Open
Communications.....Rick Wise
Merchandise.....Open
BOD Rep.....Eric Spurr

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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 ###

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Secretary.....Brett Doyen
Treasurer.....Laura Hershey
Sgt at Arms.....Jeff Gorall
Membership.....Joe Silk
Runs/Events.....Ky Sisson
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The East Valley Chapter meets at 10AM on the 3rd Sunday of every month at the American Legion Post 138 1264 W University Dr, Mesa NE Corner of Alma School & University ###

High Country Chapter

Coordinator.....Open
V. Coord.....Open
Secretary.....Thomas Stocks
Treasurer.....Open
Sgt at Arms.....Roy Whiting
Membership.....Open
Runs/Events.....Jacque 'Daisi' Whiting
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PAC.....Open
Communications.....Marty Bernal
Merchandise.....Gail Howard
Media.....Marty Bernal
BOD Rep.....Open

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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 ###

Mohave Chapter

Coordinator.....Tom Aydt
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Secretary.....Cynde Aydt
Treasurer.....Donna Arnold-Post
Sgt at Arms.....Emmette Tucker
Membership.....Cynde Aydt
Runs/Events.....Open
Safety Coordinator.....Terry Campbell
PAC.....Denny Lange
Communications.....Tom Aydt
Merchandise.....Open
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Treasurer.....Lyn Peterson
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Membership.....John Marshall
Runs/Events.....Cliff Prentice
Safety Coordinator.....Ernie Lizarraga
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 Sgt at Arms.....Rob Rogers
 Membership.....Jim Butsback
 Runs/Events.....Open
 Safety Coordinator..... Open
 PAC.....Open
 Communications..... Judi Miller
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 Media.....Open
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 PAC.....Open
 Communications.....Open
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 Secretary.....Open
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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
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Meet us at 6:30pm on the 4th Tuesday of each month VFW Bucky O'Neill Post 541 202 N Arizona Ave ; Prescott 86301
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Protecting Motorcyclists' Rights is a Team Effort! Support your sport by supporting ABATE of Arizona

Choose Wisely

Once you've decided to ride, there are a lot of choices to be made. What kind of bike? New or used? How much insurance? What kind of protective gear? It can get very expensive. So if you've chosen to wear a helmet, we'd like to make sure you buy a good one.

The Arizona Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Foundation (AMSAF) and Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS) want to help. Our Financial Assistance Helmet program provides individuals with \$125 from AMSAF and 25% off the Manufacturer's suggested retail price (MSRP) when you purchase a DOT-approved, full face or modular helmet at AMSAF approved locations throughout the state.

For more information or to apply go to AMSAF.org/Helmets

The Arizona Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Foundation
 Financial Assistance Helmet Program

How it works

- AMSAF Vouchers are valid towards the purchase of a \$200.00 or higher DOT Certified Full Face or Modular Street Helmet.
- Vouchers are only valid to those dealers approved by AMSAF and listed on the AMSAF website.
- Vouchers are not valid for discounted, special order or discontinued helmets.
- Purchased helmet is non-returnable if warning tag is cut off. Helmets may be returnable at the discretion of the dealer.
- Voucher is valid for a \$125.00 credit toward qualified helmet due to grant received from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety.
- Dealer or store will give an additional 25% off of Helmet MSRP.
- \$50.00 tax deductible donation is required to AMSAF at time of application.
- Voucher and promo code is only valid toward one (1) Helmet purchase.
- Dealer will credit individual up front at time of purchase and invoice AMSAF.



For more information or to apply - Click in this presentation

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Chapter Reports

Coyote Pass Chapter

We held our first ABATE meeting after the holidays on Tuesday January 14th; with 10 people attending.

We mentioned getting some business cards made up so we would have something to hand people with our group email and other info. Roger Green will be making up the cards.

We are planning to join the Route 66 Bike Week events. Details about that will be coming.

There was a discussion of ways to increase our membership as well.

Rick Wise, Communications Officer

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The Coyote Pass Chapter meets on
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East Valley Chapter

It is with regret that we are cancelling our annual "Hard Ass Run". The chapter will also end any future runs and will focus on other-than-riding events as a fundraiser means. We thank all past and present members for your prior support!

Rick Ferguson has stepped down as our chapter's board of directors' member. We would like to thank Rick Ferguson for his past efforts and support of ABATE. Jeff Gorall has volunteered to represent East Valley on the board.

Chapter member Ky Sisson is a Medicare independent "representative" and would like to provide a presentation on some of the issues with the various Medicare parts and penalties to any membership group or association. If you have a group (other than ABATE) that would be interested, please contact him at: sissonky@gmail.com

During the meeting we went over these 2025 Goals:

- Motorcycle Awareness Program
 - o Broaden the program's reach beyond the current five schools and student groups. Reach out to other organization/businesses that can be presented to
 - o Increase the number of certified instructors (ABATE members or others). Will setup an instruction presentation for the public (TBD)
- Increase Statewide/Chapter Membership
 - o Help each member to recruit one new member this year.
 - o Engage local businesses – bars, restaurants, motorcycle shops to become business members. Will provide a summary to members on how to do that
 - o Assist with membership booths at various events. Membership booths will require two or more volunteers.
 - o Raise awareness amongst fellow riders about ABATE by sharing the lane filtering law's presentation on youtube/FB (QR code cards).
- Communication
 - o Submit a member spotlight article or other article of interest to the *MasterLink*.
- Events: Provide recommendations for events and fundraising opportunities to our chapter events officer.
 - o Join rides or meet-ups organized by other groups; wear your ABATE shirts and always carry a membership tri-fold or QR code.
- Legislative
 - o Support all State Legislative Director's efforts (Day at Dome, ..., etc)
 - o Encourage others to register to vote (and to vote)
 - o Respond to all call to actions
 - o Ensure that all ABATE members are registered in the state's RTS system

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Mohave Chapter

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Phoenix Chapter

Hello All.
The Phoenix Chapter has been busy planning out events to kick off the 2025 Season.
February 8th is Bike Night at the VFW Post 1433. Stop on by and say hello to your Communications Officer.
Super Bowl Sunday!!
February 9th, 11 am ABATE will be hosting an informal meet and greet for all current members and our hopes

would be to have every member bring a friend or two. Goal is to get our membership numbers up.
Hamburgers will be served up at Noon.
Chili Cook-Off Noon-3
Texas Hold'em Tournament Sign in at 10 am, Cards in the air at 11. \$20 buy in.
VFW Post 1433
7618 N 63rd Ave, Glendale, AZ

Come for the food, stay for the Superbowl fun!
Tiffany Granmo has stepped in to be Secretary interim as the chapter looks to find a permanent replacement. We appreciate her commitment and thank her.

February 13th 9-1 is Motorcycle Day at the Dome. Hoping we can get members involved and show our support. Phoenix Chapter will be representing with a tent and literature. Stop on by and say hello!

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Yuma Chapter

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ABATE-AZ Legislative Tracking 2025

as compiled and shared by ABATE-AZ Legislative Director Michael Infanzon, mike@abateofaz.org

HB2235 - Signs; lane use; civil penalty

Sponsor Rep. Teresa Martinez (R)

Summary

Requires the Arizona Department of Transportation and applicable local authorities to place signs on a highway with two or more lanes for use by motor vehicles traveling in the same direction that instruct slower traffic to travel in a lane other than the farthest left lane. Defines the wording that must be used on the signs and requires a second, smaller sign that mentions fines pursuant to civil penalties pursuant to state law for infractions of the directive mentioned on the larger sign. Adds that a violation of this legislation is subject to a civil penalty of \$500.

Position - Amend

Comments

HB 2235 promotes safer and more predictable traffic flow, benefiting motorcyclists by reducing erratic lane changes and improving visibility. By including motorcycle-specific considerations, the bill could further address the unique challenges faced by riders. ABATE's support with proposed amendments demonstrates a commitment to enhancing motorcycle safety and public education on Arizona's highways.

HB2252 - Vehicle emission standards; waiver; rules

Sponsor Rep. Chris Mathis (D)

Summary

Repeals the requirement that rules adopted pursuant to this legislation be consistent with provisions of federal

law. Requires the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) To adopt rules to implement vehicle emissions standards for vehicles model year 2028 or newer that are identical to the standards adopted by the California Air Resources Board. Stipulates that the rules adopted by ADEQ Must adhere to the standards for which the United States Environmental Protection Agency has granted a waiver to the California Air Resources Board. Defines mandatory reporting on Arizona emissions standards and associated rulemaking.

Position - Oppose

Comments

Given ABATE's commitment to protecting motorcyclists' rights and promoting fair regulations, the following considerations guide our stance:

Opposition to HB 2252: The bill's adoption of CARB standards could result in higher compliance costs for motorcycle manufacturers and riders, potentially limiting access to affordable vehicles. Additionally, the delegation of rulemaking authority to CARB diminishes Arizona's legislative autonomy, contravening principles of federalism and local governance.

Advocacy for State-Centric Standards: ABATE advocates for emissions standards tailored to Arizona's unique environmental and economic conditions, ensuring fair treatment of all vehicle categories, including motorcycles.

Engagement in Rulemaking: If the bill advances, ABATE will actively participate in ADEQ's rulemaking process to ensure motorcyclists' interests are represented.

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- Individual Membership: \$30 annually
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- Individual Sustaining Member: \$50 annually
- Joint Sustaining Membership: \$100 annually
- Business Membership: \$150 annually
- Club or Organization: \$150 annually
- Individual Lifetime Membership: \$350
- Joint Lifetime Membership: \$700

All Bikes, All Riders



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as compiled and shared by ABATE-AZ Legislative Director Michael Infanzon, mike@abateofaz.org

SB1092 - Vehicle mileage; tracking; tax; prohibitions

Sponsor Sen. Jake Hoffman (R)

Summary

Prohibits a city, town, county or political subdivision from considering or establishing Vehicles Miles Travel Reduction goals for use with state projects; or track or maintain a record of personal vehicle miles of travel records (via odometer readings, cameras, or any other means of recording) of any person; or impose any mileage fee or tax on miles traveled by an individual in a motor vehicle.

Position - Support

Comments

ABATE of Arizona supports SB 1092 with targeted advocacy emphasizing its alignment with motorcyclists' core values of privacy, fairness, and freedom.

Reasons:

1. Privacy Safeguards: The bill protects motorcyclists from intrusive tracking mechanisms that could set a precedent for other forms of government surveillance.
2. Tax Fairness: It ensures motorcyclists are not unfairly burdened by VMT taxes that fail to account for motorcycles' lower road impact and emissions.
3. Strategic Alignment: Supporting SB 1092 reinforces ABATE's commitment to advocating for policies that prioritize individual rights and limited government.

SB1107 - Motorcycle safety fund continuation

Sponsor Sen. Shawna Bolick (R)

Summary

Repeals the termination date for the deposit of \$1.00 of each motorcycle registration fee collected pursuant to state law. Requires that any fee, assessment or other levy that is authorized by law or administrative rule, and that is collected and deposited in the motorcycle safety fund, shall be held in trust. Permits monies in the fund to be used only for the purposes prescribed by statute and prohibits the funds from being used by the legislature to fund the general operations of Arizona, or to otherwise meet the obligations of the Arizona State General Fund, with the exception of any taxes or other levies that are collected pursuant to state law. Applies this legislation retroactively two, from, and after June 29, 2025.

Position

Support

Comments

SB 1107 continues vital funding for motorcycle safety programs that reduce injuries and fatalities among riders in Arizona. The inclusion of a trust clause ensures that funds are protected from misappropriation, maintaining their intended impact. Supporting this legislation aligns with ABATE's advocacy for improved road safety and motorcyclist welfare.

Arizona Trail Riders Club Supports ABATE-AZ

ABATE of Arizona would like to recognize and thank the Arizona Trail Riders Club (ATR) for their generous financial contribution and support of ABATE of Arizona.

"Arizona Trail Riders (ATR) is a non-profit, family oriented, off highway motorcycle club based in Phoenix, and they are one of the largest and oldest dirt bike clubs in Arizona with over 36 years of continuous operation.

ATR's mission focus is to encourage all riders to enjoy and experience the sport of dirt biking, whether it's singletrack, jeep roads, racing, dual sports, or adventure bikes. ATR members share the same passion as ABATE members in that we both like to enjoy the great outdoors with our families and friends and prefer to do it while aboard a motorcycle.

While ATR's main goal as a club is to get out there and ride, they realize it cannot be all play and no work. To that end, the Arizona Trail Riders have been and will continue to be, leaders in promoting responsible off highway vehicle (OHV) use locally and across the nation.

ATR is a diverse group made up of riders of all ages, genders, and abilities so they offer something for everyone. ABATE and ATR both share a similar "political" mission – we both encourage membership to get involved to educate and make the land managers and legislative body aware of motorcycle related issues and related opinions.

The ATR club also offers organized rides and several camp-ride events for their members and guests. In addition, ATR membership also supports and promotes annual events such as American Motorcycle Association (AMA) sanctioned events such as: National Enduros, Dual Sport events, and Arizona Motorcycle Riders Association (AMRA) Enduros.

Learn more about the Arizona Trail Riders Club from their website <https://arizonatrailriders.org/>

Joe Silk

ABATE of Arizona, East Valley Chapter Coordinator, Communications, Membership, and State Communications

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A Christmas Miracle

By East Valley ABATE member Mark Healy

On Dec 17, 2019 I was riding my motorcycle to Circle K to get a soda and some fresh air. As I left the store I heard honking at the intersection and I saw cars going around what appeared to be a stalled pickup that was not moving in the center of 3 lanes. I got on my bike, and was going that way, so I kept an eye on the truck to see if it had mechanical failure. As I drove by the opposite direction, I saw a grey haired gentleman with his chin on his chest, completely ignoring the honking of irate drivers going around him.

This didn't seem right, so I flipped a U-turn and pulled up alongside his passenger window, banging to get his attention. No response, so I called 911 on my com gear and pulled in front of him to get out of traffic. I opened the driver's door and shook him while talking to the 911 operator. I shook him and called his name, plainly visible on his corporate badge. I reported his lack of response to the 911 operator who said that a police officer was on site. I looked up, and there was the officer.

The officer then proceeded to shake him so hard I thought he was going to injure him, then listened for breathing sounds... of which there were none. The fire engine had arrived and a burly firefighter walked over. The firefighter grabbed the man around the chest and pulled him completely out of the truck and on to the roadway.

That was when we discovered the truck was still running, in gear, and pointed into the intersection of 6 lanes of 45mph cross traffic. My motorcycle was the only impediment.

I was holding the truck door open for the firefighter, and the police officer was pressed up against the passenger door of the truck when both of us felt the truck lurch forward and we realized that, without a foot on the brake, the truck was going to roll over/through my bike and into traffic. We both dove into the opening. Using the door for leverage, I did the splits and went foot first to get to the

brake. The police officer dove in headfirst over me to get to the transmission shifter. I hit the brake, stopping the truck about 3 inches from my bike and allowing the officer to secure the vehicle. The firefighters had already started CPR and using a defibrillator as the ambulance pulled up.

A week later I got a call from the man's wife. She told me that the doctor explained that her husband had suffered a type of heart attack that had a less than 10% survival rate under good circumstances. He had just been awakened from his medically induced coma, he was recognizing and talking to his family. His 7 year old son would have Daddy for Christmas.

Here is the handmade Christmas card I received from his son:



I marvel at all of the things that had to go right for this story to have a happy ending.

He had a 4 minute window of time to be found, *continues on page 15*

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agnosed, and treated. He had a 30 minute window to be transported to an appropriate facility and put into a coma to minimize brain damage. The firefighters had the right training and equipment, and most importantly they got there in time. They could not have done their part to save this family if the police officer had not secured the scene, and neither of them would have been in time if not for the 911 system. Somebody had to notice the problem in time and decide to intervene. The doctors had to treat appropriately and effectively.

If he had been in a self-driving car, his condition would have never been noticed and he would have been delivered to his destination too late for any help.

Each of these small actions had real-time life-or-death consequences. The real miracle is that they happen all day, every day, all across our country. The true miracle is that, in spite of our many differences and small concerns, we have created a society where these miracles occur so frequently we don't even consider them as the miracles they are. The police officer cleaned up the scene and went back to doing what he does all day long. The same with the firefighters, ambulance drivers, doctors, 911 operators etc. Most of them will never know the outcome or effect of their actions that day, but they will all carry on performing similar miracles each day.

Why do I call this a Christmas Miracle? A wife and 7 year old child still have a husband and father on Christmas Day. They are still an intact loving family with a renewed appreciation for the gift of life.

I met them on Christmas Eve the following year and they presented me with a Christmas or-



namment, an Angel holding a heart on the seat of a model of my motorcycle.

That ornament now hangs by my monitor as a constant reminder to be part of the everyday miracles that go on around us every day.

AzKicker Mark Healey is dedicated to enjoying the beauty of Arizona (and the U.S.) by motorcycle. Visit his page at <https://azkicker.com/>



“There are two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle.”

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Motorcycle Awareness Program {MAP}

Goals for the 2025 Motorcycle Awareness Program include
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 Reaching out to other organizations & businesses that can be presented to
 Increasing the number of certified instructors (ABATE members or others).
 An instruction presentation for the public (TBD) will be set up.

To VOLUNTEER for the MAP Program, for more information about the MAP, or to become an instructor, contact either Joe Silk at 480-628-8598, miterangers@msn.com or MAP Coordinator Jim Silk at 602-312-1927, Jpsilk2264@gmail.com

Call for MAP Instructors ~ Motorcycle Awareness Program from the ABATE-AZ webpage, <http://www.abateofaz.org/map-reports>

For those who might be interested in becoming a MAP instructor, please read on.


The Motorcycle Awareness Program (M.A.P.) is an educational program aimed at the target audience of high school students in drivers 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 than 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 an instructor you must:

1. Be available during the day: The presentations in driver's education classes last about an hour during the school day. There may be 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 it can be. 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.

<p>ABATE of ARIZONA American Brotherhood Aimed Toward Education</p>  <p>ALL BIKES, ALL RIDERS Join the fight today at www.abateofaz.org</p>	<p>LANE FILTERING IS LEGAL ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES 28-903 F The operator of a two-wheeled motorcycle may overtake and pass another vehicle that is stopped in the same direction of travel and in the same lane as the operator and may operate the motorcycle between lanes of traffic if the movement may be made safely and if the operator does both of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Operates the motorcycle on a street that both: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Is divided into at least two adjacent traffic lanes in the same direction of travel. (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.
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MRF News: Friday From DC

Unintended Consequence: Invisibility

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January 15, 2025

An important study was released last week by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) regarding high-visibility clothing. According to the IIHS, “clothing that makes pedestrians stand out to human drivers may make them invisible to automated crash prevention systems.” You read that right, test dummies wearing clothing with features like reflective strips were INVISIBLE to technology designed to prevent crashes.

While the tests were conducted using pedestrian test dummies, it’s not hard to extrapolate what these findings might mean to motorcyclists. Some bikers choose to wear high-visibility clothing in an attempt to make their presence on the road more pronounced. This study is extremely concerning and brings into question some basic assumptions about conspicuity.

Tests like these demonstrate how many factors and unknowns are involved in the deployment of technology

aimed at aiding drivers. The Motorcycle Riders Foundation has long professed the importance of fully testing any new technology before it is deployed on our roadways. This announcement from the IIHS is a good reminder that you should never assume others on the road can see you.

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

On ALL Arizona roads not just highways. Thanks to Senator Shawna 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 Legislative Director, Mike Infanzon at mike@abateofaz.org



T&I NEWS



January 24, 2025 ... This week, the House of Representatives finalized some of its organizational structure by announcing committee assignments for the 119th Congress. Of note for motorcyclists, the House Transportation & Infrastructure Committee roster was finalized. House T & I, as it is known, is the largest committee in either chamber of Congress. With over 60 members, it has veteran lawmakers and newly elected representatives.

In the Senate, jurisdiction over transportation policy is split between two committees: the Commerce, Science & Transportation Committee and the Environment & Public Works Committee. However, in the House, most transportation policy falls within the purview of House T & I, with some issues handled by the House Committee on Energy & Commerce.

During the next two years, the top item on the agenda for House T & I will be the Surface Transportation Reauthorization Act, known as the "Highway Bill." This massive piece of legislation must be passed every five (5) years and provides the best opportunity to advance the legislative priorities of the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF). Therefore, it is critical to build relationships with T & I committee members who hold power over the issues that are priorities to bikers.

Below is the list of committee members for the 119th Congress. It's time to get to work introducing ourselves to new members and re-

tion to help?

New members of the Committee denoted with *

Rep. Nick Begich – AK *
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 Rep. Bruce Westerman – AR
 Rep. Greg Stanton – AZ
 Rep. Julia Brownley- CA
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CALENDAR - Upcoming ABATE-AZ / Business Members / MRO Events

Feb 13 {Thurs}: [Motorcycle Day at the Dome ~ MDATD](#). The day is dedicated to advocating for motorcycle safety, awareness, and legislation. It will feature engaging speakers, informative booths, + networking with advocates and policymakers. It is a celebration of Arizona’s motorcycle community! Interested in showcasing your business or organization? Limited # of vendor booth spaces available. Don’t miss out. Secure your spot! FMI: Mike@abateofaz.org, 602.456.BIKE

Apr 13 {{Sun}: ACMC – AZ Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs is hosting a Member Appreciation Party at Roosters Bar, 3731 E Main Street, Mesa starting at noon. Live music, food, & more. FMI: 480-985-4088



May 17, 2025 {Sat}: [AMSAF’s Riding For the Long Haul](#) event, 5:30 to 9:30pm at Marriott Phoenix Chandler - 1600 South Price Rd., Chandler, AZ 85286. 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/>

May 19-20 {Mon-Tues}: Bikers Inside The Beltway, hosted by the Motorcycle Riders Foundation in Washington DC. FMI: <https://www.mrf.org/events> , 202-546-0983

Sept 25-28 {Th-Sun}: MRF’s 41st Annual Meeting of the Minds, being held in Shreveport, Louisiana at Sam’s Town Hotel & Casino. FMI: <https://www.mrf.org/events> | 202-546-0983, email mrffoffice@mrf.org or Fred@mrf.org

Independent Motorcycle Aftermarket
PROTECT YOUR BUSINESS!

It’s time for independent aftermarket motorcycle businesses to unite and join the *Independent Motorcycle Aftermarket*. The IMA is a growing network of aftermarket shops and suppliers who believe in unity in purpose toward common goals.

Unity in purpose includes:

- ✓ Passage of Right to Repair legislation
- ✓ Protect the right to modify
- ✓ Protect the internal combustion engine
- ✓ Maintain the availability of fuels not harmful to motorcycle engines
- ✓ Fight End of Life Directives

Join your independent motorcycle business owning peers to protect our investment and the future of motorcycling. The *Independent Motorcycle Aftermarket* works with the Motorcycle Riders Foundation and has your back!

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