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MONDAY

February 9, 2026

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 3rd Sunday
 FEB 15, 2026
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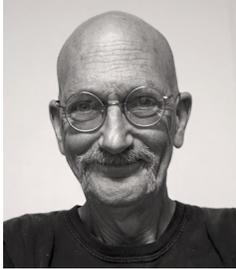
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President's Message

Danny "Curbie" Lovett



Well we made it through another holiday season! As you may know February 8th is our state meeting in Tallahassee, with the 29th Annual Freedom Ride to the State Capitol on the following day.

Then to round up a very busy weekend, we have the legislative meet and greet on Tuesday the 10th. Everyone's invited to join us at all of these events. The more our legislators see the word ABATE the more they'll remember the word ABATE. There is no better opportunity to have your voice heard on legislation such as HB 429 and others before the Legislature advances further. It may be a cold one so dress WARM.

Our meeting attendance has really picked up over the last couple of months and once again I can't express how appreciative I am of that. We want to hear your voice. Looking at the calendar, I see we are coming up on a lot of different rides and events in the near future. Keep us dialed in on WhatsApp for more info!

Oh, and one last word.....

Ride long and Ride safe, but most of all JUST RIDE!!!

Danny



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Vice President's Message

When the weather gets this cold in South Florida, everything slows down. Iguanas are falling from the trees, washing the bike is out of the question and we all ride a bit less. Cruz-in' for Crime Stoppers 100-mile ride was postponed for two weeks due to the cold. Darn, I admit I'm getting soft but it sure does make one appreciate where we live and the opportunities that we have. ABATE meetings every month with motorcycles parked outside the Eagles Lodge every third Sunday, where else in this country can folks ride all year? We are all very fortunate and should occasionally stop and revel in our good fortune.

While you are inside in the glowing warmth, please take the time to respond to your Representatives. ABATE State has been sending out information about upcoming legislation as has Coalition of Independent Riders and the Motorcycle Riders Foundation. If you want the freedom that we all believed that ABATE would assure in the early days of the organization, we each need to step up and participate. A bit of personal responsibility and a letter or email to our representatives will go a long way towards stopping the types of legislation which might label us as "gang" members or stop us from modifying or even just repairing our motorcycles and other vehicles. These actions do not require you to go out and protest, just stay on the couch and communicate your thoughts to your Representatives. Sometimes they will send back a nice form letter stating that they appreciate your opinion, other times one of their interns will just open letters and count responses but I can attest that volume counts and if they get mail of any type on a subject, they pay a bit more attention and consider whether they will gain or lose votes because of their stand. Many lean one way or another, not based on their personal opinions but on following the changing flow of the tide or the direction of the winds. Your voice could definitely alter the course.

The second weekend in February is the Ride to The Capital in Tallahassee, a worth-while statement to keep local legislators aware of our presence. I had planned to participate but will not be able to, not because of the weather (I have sufficient gear) but due to the restrictions caused by major projects at my place of employment. Keep an eye on the newspapers and TV coverage, chances are that there will be some recognition. If at a future event you become aware of riders from ABATE that participated, give 'em an "Attaboy" for giving up their time to represent you. It takes all of us together as individuals aiming toward a good result for the present and future riders to enjoy even a part of the freedoms enjoyed in earlier days. It's an ever changing world, make your voices heard!

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2026

3rd Sunday Jan 18

3rd Sunday Feb 15

3rd Sunday Mar 15

3rd Sunday Apr 19

3rd Sunday May 17

3rd Sunday Jun 21

3rd Sunday Jul 19

3rd Sunday Aug 16

3rd Sunday Sep 20

3rd Sunday Oct 18

3rd Sunday Nov 15

3rd Sunday Dec 20

2027

3rd Sunday Jan 17

3rd Sunday Feb 21

3rd Sunday Mar 21

3rd Sunday Apr 18

3rd Sunday May 16

3rd Sunday Jun 20

ABATE of FL Inc Palm Beach Chapter

General Meeting—Eagles Aerie WPB January 18, 2026

CALL TO ORDER: 11:00AM

PRESIDENT: Dan called the meeting to order with The Pledge and a moment of silence. Thanks to all for a great turn out.

VICE PRESIDENT: We still have a good deal of items that were donated. There are some good deals on some food stuff. Thanks to everyone for showing up.

SECRETARY: A motion and a second to accept the minutes as printed in the newsletter.

TREASURER: The books are balanced. We still have money. A motion and a second to accept the report.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: Suggest that we should wear a helmet.

MEMBERSHIP: The October report listed 177 members. We had 12 expire and 15 new with a total of 180 members.

SAFETY: No report.

LEGISLATIVE: No report.

DELEGATE: No report.

PR/COMMUNICATIONS: Nothing to report.

WEBSITE: We are still working with the state.

PRODUCTS: Jeff still has Chapter patches

OLD BUSINESS: The Freedom ride to the Capitol is February 9th. The Delegate meeting will be Sunday at the American Legion in Monticello. Rooms are still available .

NEW BUSINESS: February 1st is Cruzin' for Crime Stoppers. January 31st is the Dania Vintage Motorcycle show.

GOOD OF THE ORDER: February 8th a pre-Super Bowl Event at the Eagles 2-6 Frank-E-Oke Karaoke show. The Eagles are a big supporter of our Chapter. We would like to thank them for their support

TIME OF ADJOURNMENT: Motion to Adjourn 11:59am, 31 in attendance



STATE MEETINGS

Board Meetings start at 10am
General Meetings start at 12pm
2nd Sat of the Month

HOST CHAPTER & LOCATION

- 2026 State Meetings**
- Feb 8, 2026 Tallahassee**
- Apr 12, 2026 Forest
- Jun 13, 2026 Pasco/Boneyard
- July 2026 Seminars
- Aug 8, 2026 Lake
- Oct. 10, 2026 Inglis (State Party)
- Dec. 12, 2026 Daytona Beach

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Thank you for all the support of ABATE of Florida, Inc. and the Palm Beach Chapter.

ABATE of Florida, Inc. Mission Statement

WHO WE ARE

We are a non-profit organization of motorcycle enthusiasts from all walks of life. We lobby and educate the government and the general public to promote motorcycling in a safe and positive image. We endeavor to enlist the cooperation and participation of all organizations and individuals that share a similar interest in preserving our American tradition of FREEDOM. We promote motorcycle safety, training, & political awareness. We ARE NOT A CLUB NOR A GANG. We fund our work through events, toy runs, poker runs, campouts, and other motorcycle activities. We are your neighbors & friends who work, pay taxes, and get involved with our community. We serve and support our country and believe in freedom. We use all legal means to protect our rights without infringing on the rights of others. We are Pro-choice NOT anti-helmet, it is up to you to decide.

OUR GOALS

To become a powerful and viable political force in legislative matters concerning the motorcyclist.
To promote the safe riding habits without infringing on individual freedoms.
To motivate the bikers to write letters to legislators before, during, and after the legislative session.
To furnish a newsletter to keep all bikers informed in regards to upcoming legislation.

MEMBERSHIP

When you become a member of ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC. you are helping make a difference in the ongoing mission to protect your right to ride and enjoy the motorcycle of your choice, your choice of riding apparel, and when and where you can ride a motorcycle. These are issues that are real and present in today's "protect yourself from yourself" political environment. This holds true for all levels of government. There will always be those who see our love for motorcycling as a negative and will try any means to control and if possible prohibit motorcycle use.

On the local level our members get out to vote and support candidates who are sympathetic to our issues. We also will endeavor to lobby local governments whenever there are issues that need to be addressed, affecting local motorcycle use, ownership, and any discrimination that may result from said use of ownership.

At the state level we have a paid registered lobbyist who regularly visits our state capital in Tallahassee to lobby our legislators on the issues concerning the motorcycling public in Florida. He also finds reliable House and Senate sponsors for the bills we support. On the national level we are aligned with Motorcycle Riders Foundations (MRF), and the National Coalition of Motorcyclists (NCOM), along with several other international motorcycle rights organizations (MRO's).

As one can see we have our ear to the ground and our resolve tempered like steel. As Americans we have had it demonstrated to us time and again the vigilance is armor of free men and women. We shall not let the armor rust or weaken. With your support we can reenforce and strengthen the armor for now and generations to come.

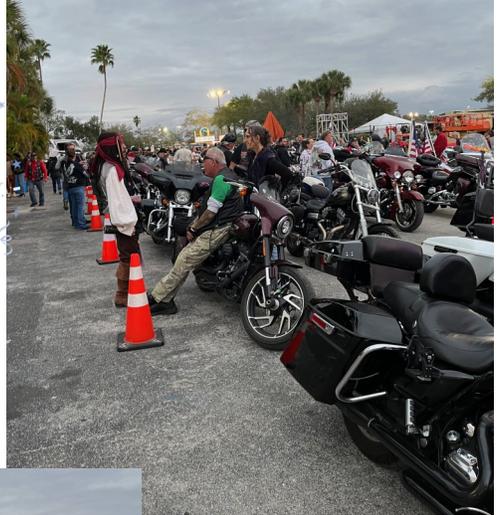
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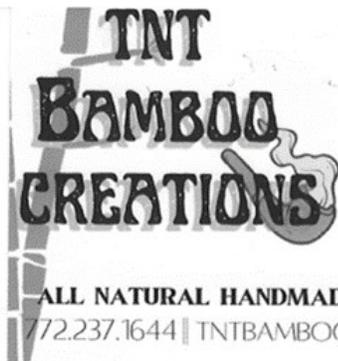
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Delegates Meeting, Forest Chapter, December 13, 2025

PRESIDENTS REPORT: Griz- (* Frenchie showed the new flags for ABATE) *AIL – Mike Tucci\Jenna King spoke about our AD&D. Talked about Will and other kits. Discussed beneficiary cards. There are also children kits. If the agents call you and you do not want to be bothered, let Mike know and will make sure they stop calling. *Martha has stepped down from Legislative and MSAP. Darrin has stepped up as Legislative and Lana will be taking over MSAP. If a member is to be dismissed from your chapter, it must be voted on by your chapter and Certified letter needs to be sent. Spectrum 9 will be doing an interview concerning SB 429. I am now on the CUTR Board along with Lana. There will be a meeting on Feb 11,12. Remember: Ride Smart is towards the Rider; ABATE is geared for the driver. How many Chapters will be attending Tallahassee? I have talked to Georgia ABATE, and they will be working a group to join us in Tallahassee.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Steve – Our flyer is in Easy Rider for Tallahassee. There will be a petition for HB 429, so CALL YOUR LEGISLATOR or email them. If you need help call someone on the Board. We have gotten a sponsor check from Law Tiger. They will also be in Tally. We need Sponsors! Everyone should know at least 1 person or business. If you don't want to talk to them, call Steve, he loves to talk. Question on Law Tigers, we have 5 Reps to help ABATE with legal issues.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Lynn- Reminder that nominations for 2026 Board of Directors will start in February. All delegates were instructed to make sure that the chapters know not to send in the post card to AIL but to the STATE Office. Motion to accept minutes from October Delegate meeting. Motion made by Daytona Beach, 2nd by Lagoon. All in favor. Passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Brandy–Talked about the special meeting with Legislators for Tuesday on the 10th. Check out the new flyer. Some were left on the table, on Facebook, on the website and soon on Masterlink. If you are interested in more insurance, AIL does offer more. Please make sure when you get checks that the chapter name is on the checks should be example ... Abate of Flori-Inc. Boneyard chapter. Motion to accept the Treasurer Report made Polk, 2nd by Lake. All in Favor. On your bank statement it will show your new members that signed up online.

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STATE OFFICE REPORT: Brandy – We have secured American Income Life again. PLEASE make everyone aware if they get the card in the mail and return to American Income Life, they will get sales calls. We will post a flyer on the website, and if you are interested in getting more insurance from them you can contact them.

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SGT-AT-ARMS REPORT: Tate – Inventories – All but 2 chapters turned in their inventories. Thank you

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Tara -

Most New Members Sept: **Lagoon** Most Percentage Growth Sept: **Boneyard**

Most New Members Oct: **SE** Most Percentage Growth Oct: **Boneyard**

Please remember that I **DO NOT** get the applications or beneficiary portions. Beneficiary info goes to the State Office. Another reminder that if they have a member that is transferring to another chapter, I need a signed application to do this. Also, if the member is a registered voter, that the information needs to be on your report, if it is not, that member will not be counted as a registered voter. When you are asking about information on a Life Member, please include their number. Please communicate to me if you are going to be late with your reports. I will not be sending out reminders any more the last week or day of the month because I have not received your reports. More membership cards are needed. I will get more. If you have a credit and want to use it, just contact me.



WEBSITE: Tara – Everything should be back on track. If there are any issues or changes that need to be made, please let me know ASAP.

MASTERLINK: Tara – The Masterlink has been updated as well.

PR COMMUNICATION: Rick Loy from Gator Alley will be stepping up. Will be at the next meeting.

SAFETY MSAP TRUSTEE: Dividing the teaching and certification into regionals. Brandy will be the Panhandle and Chuck will help in the center of the State.

PRODUCTS TRUSTEE REPORT: Shayne (Velcro) – We will be having products online please

LOBBYIST FIRM – FWP: John: I do not see the bill 429 going anywhere. The language is not favorable. We are looking for Sponsors for Lane Filtering and Hands Free.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT: HB 243, SB 382 – concerning E-bikes. This will define electric motorcycle, revise the definition of motorcycle, and will expand crash reporting requirements to make sure the state keeps statistics on these incidents. It will impose penalties for certain E bikes modifications, require licensing for class 3 E-bikes, adjust learners license and education, and beefed-up motorcycle and safety. There will also be E-bike/scooters questions in the Class E driver's test. This bills effective date, if passed, would be July 1, 2027, meaning it does not take effective immediately in 2026 but be enacted from 2027 onward. Both Senate and the house versions are moving through committees. HB 571 - Motorcycle Specialty License plate (Endless Summer). This bill would direct the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to create an endless summer motorcycle specialty license plate along with design specs on how it counts toward specialty plates totals. It is not a safety or riders right Bill by a motorcycle branded legislation heading through the government Ops and State affairs. **Helmet, Lane Splitting, and Other Safety Talk** - there have been “rumblings” on social media and in ABATE circles, such as Facebook post, referencing helmet bills like SB 120 and HB 522 and Lane filtering or “right of way” legislation, but those numbers aren’t officially showing up



yet in the 2026 docket as filed or tracked bills - meaning either they haven't been formally prefiled or they're using different bill numbers that haven't surfaced in the public trackers yet. **Other bills that might affect Riders (indirectly)**. There is also SB 522 on motor vehicle insurance which is not strictly a motorcycle bill but could influence liability coverage rules that affect riders. It is currently in the Banking and Insurance committee. **Florida 2026 Session Gang-Related Bills on Radar**. As of now, no motorcycle-specific "anti-gang" bills have been filed that directly target MC's in the 2026 session. that said there are general criminal-gang/racketeering proposals that ABATE traditionally watches closely because of how they have been used (or mis-

used) in the past. **Criminal Gang/Racketeering Expansion Bills (General)**. Several drafting notices and early committee conceptions are circulating around. 1. Expanded definition of criminal street gang to 2. Enhanced penalties for gang affiliation during crimes. 3. Civil assets forfeiture tied to alleged gang activities 4. Use of clothing, patches, or symbols as "evidence" of gang membership. These bills often do not mention motorcycles at all, which is precisely the problem. Historically, vague language has allowed law-abiding motorcycle clubs to be swept up in enforcement actions simply for colors, patches, or association. Right now, these concepts are not yet filed as final bill numbers, but they will typically surface early in session under Criminal Justice, Judiciary, or Law-Enforcement committee agendas. ABATE's position has always been consistent here: **Criminal behavior should be punished - lifestyle association and patches should not**. What is not filed yet as of today - 1. No Bill explicitly naming motorcycle clubs 2. No Bill banning MC colors or patches 3. No bill authorizing traffic stops solely for MC affiliation. Florida has a long history of overboard, gang definitions - Prosecutorial "stacking" using Rico statute, Selective enforcement that just happens to focus on MCs. Even a single line change such as one adjective in the wrong place can flip a neutral crime bill into a civil rights problem for riders.

LEGAL COUNSEL- Law Tiger: They could not be here today. But will be in Tallahassee.

SAFETY COMMITTEE: Lana – During the months of October and November, there were lots of events and Safety Booths Presentations. December is beginning this way too. This is fantastic to see and hear. Keep in mind this helps ABATE's commitment of reducing fatalities and crashes. If any of you need help in filling out the Outreach Activity Form, please reach out to me or Chuck Meeth (Freedom Chapter).

Biketoberfest had great exposure through our FMSP efforts. There was a great participation from our ABATE members handling the booth presentation. A HUGE thank you who were able to be there.

There were other events that ABATE was able to have a Safety Booth. Such as the Halloween Truck or Treat (Lake County Chapter), Glenn Curtiss Antique Car and Motorcycle event (Southeast Chapter), the American Sand Sculpture (Estero River Chapter) and Palm Beach Motorcycle Expo (Palm Beach Chapter), an Arts and Craft Fair (Thunder Coast), Emerald coast Harley Davidson Bike Fest (Emerald Coast) just to name a few. Funds from the FLHSMV can be used to pay for the vendor fees if needed.

Forest Chapter presented the MSAP to a High School. YAY.

During the Coalition of Motorcycle (CUTR) meeting I was put on the agenda to present the Motorcycle Safety Awareness Program (MSAP). It was well received. I was so happy to share with them what ABATE has been doing for years.

The MSAP Instructor Manual and Safety Booth guidelines are in review pending Board's review and approval.

Our Tallahassee Run flyer has been approved by FLHSMV. We have Quest there to film and interview people for future media post.

Beside asking people at the safety booth to take the survey please take a moment if you or any of your chapter members to take the survey too.

Thanks, and appreciation your dedication promoting ABATE politically and the Motorcycle Safety Awareness Program. Lana. ***Motion** to acceptable totals on Safety Fund Account. **Motion** by Freedom, 2nd by Lagoon. All in favor.

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SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE: Steve – Latest Sponsors Report was talked about earlier.

NCOM UPDATE: Nothing Right Now

MRF: Steve – MRF page will be on our website.

TALLAHASSEE 2026: We still have not heard from the Capitol. We are waiting on confirmation. The American Legion is set but not sure which building we will be in. Concerning the Flyer, we have 2. One is just for the ride; the other is the meeting and Tuesday meeting with legislators.

STATE PARTY: State Poker Run on April 11 at Veterans Village, Meeting on the 12th (2026). State party is October 2026. Flyer is done for Aprils Run.

OLD BUSINESS: Blackstone Grill Tickets drawing: RJ Doerfeld from N Fort Myers.

Motions to vote on:

1. Motion was made and seconded to raise the membership dues to \$30 with a 50/50 split with the State. **20** Yay, **10** Nays, 1 Abstain. Motion passes as of 1/1/2026.
2. Motion was made and seconded to lower Life Membership from \$600 to \$450. **27** Yay, **2** Nays, 0 Abstain. Motion passes as of 1/1/2026.

NEW BUSINESS: - Donations paid for Flag.

GOOD TO THE ORDER: Upcoming events with Leesburg & 5-Star in SW Florida.

Next meeting: Tallahassee Run, February 8th, 2026

Motion to adjourn: All in Favor



February 2026

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1	2	3 Gorilla Motors Bike Nite	4	5	6	7 Fly-In Wheels WPB Open House
8 ABATE State Meeting	9 29th Annual Freedom Ride to the Florida State Capitol	10 Legislative Tuesday Meet and Greet Gorilla Motors Bike Nite	11	12	13 Outlaws Open House	14 ABATE of Florida Inc, State Meeting Fly-In Wheels WPB Open House
15  PB ABATE 11 AM Chapter Meeting Eagles Aerie 2nd Annual Poker Run, FOE 3694	16	17 Gorilla Motors Bike Nite	18	19	20 Black Pistons Open House	21 Fly-In Wheels WPB House Party
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For More information and events see Upcoming Events Schedule

March 2026

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UPCOMING Event Schedule *All events subject to change*

3rd Sunday February 15, Palm Beach Chapter Meeting ABATE of FL, INC.

11am Eagles Aerie 2800 N. Military Suite #105 West Palm Beach, FL 33409

Monday February 9, ABATE of Florida 29th Annual Freedom Ride to the Capitol, KSU 9:00am behind the Super 8 Monticello

Sunday February 8, pre-Super Bowl Event and Frank-E-Oke Karaoke show, 2pm -6pm Eagle Riders Aerie 4219, 2800 N. Military #105 West Palm Beach FL 33409

Tuesday February 10, Legislative Tuesday Meet and Greet, meet at the Capitol by 8:30am, meeting starts at 9am

Sunday February 15, 2nd Annual Poker Run, FOE 3694, 9-12 registration, last bike in 5PM, 2101 Lake Worth Rd, Lake Worth, FL

Sunday February 22, Annual Palm Beach County Blessing of the Bikes, 12-4pm, American Legion 268, 1690 Avenue H West, Riviera Beach, FL 33404

Saturday February 28, Florida Elks Southeast District 5th Annual Army Of Hope Poker Run, Jupiter Elks Lodge #2469, 10070 W Indiantown Rd, Jupiter, FL 33478

Thursday-Saturday, March 5-7 Daytona Beach Bike week, 1801 West international Speedway Blvd, Daytona Beach, FL

Saturday March 21, Fly-In Wheels WPB 4th Annual Fish Fry & BBA Cookout, 3pM-,

Saturday April 11, ABATE of Floria Inc. Run to the Sun Poker Run, 130005 NE 135th St, Fort McCoy, FL 32134, Gates Open April 10th at noon. Last bikes in at 3:00PM

Friday-Sunday, Apr 24- 26 Leesburg Bike Fest, downtown Leesburg, FL. Camping at ABATE Lake County Chapter's Campground, 27150 Haywood Worm Farms Rd, Okahumpka 34762, Eagles Aerie # 4273



WEEKLY EVENTS

3rd Sunday ABATE Palm Beach meeting Eagles Riders 2800 N. Military #105 West Palm Beach FL (Westchester Plaza)

Every Tues—Gorilla Motors Bike Nite, Lantern Local Tavern, 618 Lantana Rd, Lantana, FL 33462

2nd Fri Outlaws Open House

3rd Fri Black Pistons Open House

4th Fri Outlaws Open House

3rd Sat Fly-In Wheels House Party

1st, 2nd, 4th Sat Fly-In Wheels Open House

2nd Sun, Bikers Against Child Abuse (BACA-Sawgrass Chapter), 9:30am, American Legion Post 180, 1280 SW 44th Terrace, Fort Lauderdale, 33317

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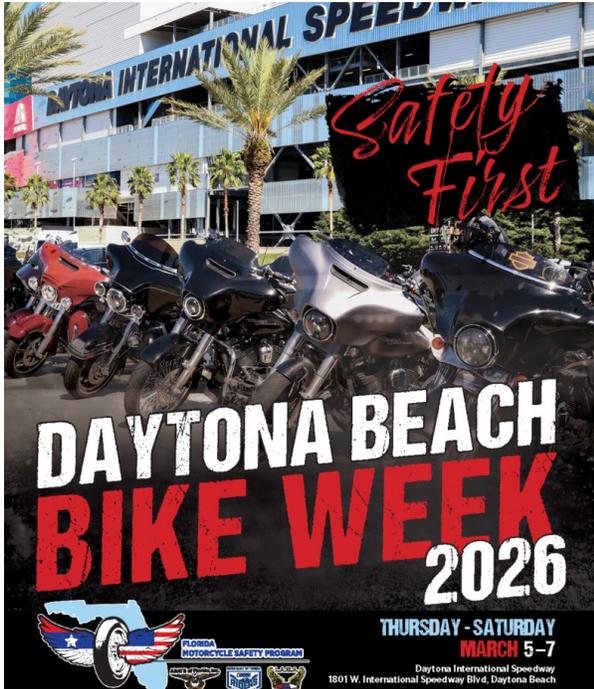
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CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE DISCUSSES KEY BIKER ISSUES

January 16, 2026

Earlier this week, the House Energy and Commerce Committee's Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade convened a hearing focused on America's automotive future, including the deployment of autonomous vehicles, the federal definition of a motorcycle, and pending right to repair legislation.

A major theme of the hearing was the urgent need for clear, consistent national standards for autonomous vehicle technology. Committee Chairman Brett Guthrie of Kentucky emphasized the importance of federal leadership, stating, "We need a national standard that is robust, safe and gives people assurances on the technology. We cannot have 50 different patchwork standards." This concern mirrors long-standing warnings from the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) that motorcyclists cannot be an afterthought in the design and regulation of emerging vehicle technologies.

The hearing also addressed the outdated federal definition of a motorcycle, particularly as new vehicle types such as autocycles enter the marketplace. The MRF, joined by ABATE of Wisconsin, submitted letters for the record in support of modernizing the federal definition and urging passage of H.R. 3385, legislation intended to ensure that motorcycles are accurately defined and treated consistently across all states.

Right to repair legislation was another focal point, with discussion of the REPAIR Act, H.R. 1566. Bill Hanvey, President and CEO of the Auto Care Association, testified in strong support of the bill, saying, "The REPAIR Act simply allows the consumer to be able to choose where, when and how their vehicle is repaired." Hanvey also noted that more than 235,000 independent repair shops operate nationwide, providing consumers with reliable and affordable repair options that are increasingly threatened by restricted access to vehicle data and tools. The MRF supports the REPAIR Act and believes that the right to modify is also a key part of this discussion.

The MRF remains committed to ensuring that federal lawmakers understand the unique needs of motorcyclists, whether that means being properly recognized in vehicle definitions, accounted for in the deployment of autonomous technology, or empowered to maintain, repair and modify their own machines. This week's hearing demonstrated growing momentum in Congress to address these critical issues.

MRF PRIORITIES CENTER STAGE

January 12, 2026

Just two weeks into 2026, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) is already seeing key priorities move into the spotlight on Capitol Hill. On Tuesday, the House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Com-

merce, Manufacturing and Trade will hold a hearing titled “American Automotive Safety, Affordability, and Leadership.” This is a critically important venue for addressing issues that impact motorcyclists, as it brings together lawmakers who shape federal policy on vehicle standards, consumer protections, and emerging transportation technologies.

Sixteen bills are listed for possible discussion during the hearing. While it is unlikely that each proposal will receive the in-depth attention it deserves, the sheer number of measures under consideration signals that this powerful committee is paying close attention to the future of American mobility. Of particular interest to riders is H.R. 3385, legislation to update the federal definition of a motorcycle, along with H.R. 1566, the REPAIR Act, which focuses on the right of consumers to repair and modify their vehicles. Also included are informal legislative drafts addressing autonomous vehicle policy, an area the MRF continues to monitor closely as these technologies increasingly share the road with motorcyclists.

The MRF has been in active contact with our champions on Capitol Hill, as well as congressional committee staff, regarding the hearing and the bills under review. These conversations are essential to ensure the unique needs and safety concerns of America’s motorcyclists are understood as lawmakers debate affordability, safety, and innovation in the automotive space.

The message is clear: even at the very start of the year, MRF priorities are at the forefront in the halls of Congress. We will closely track the hearing and keep our members informed about the discussions, outcomes, and next steps as they unfold.

LOOKING TOWARD 2026

January 2, 2026

Once-In-Five-Years Opportunity As we turn the page toward a new year, the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) is energized by what lies ahead in 2026. At the top of the legislative agenda is the Surface Transportation Reauthorization, commonly known as the Highway Bill — a critical federal funding and policy package that Congress updates roughly every five years.

This is the single best opportunity we have to advance our legislative priorities for motorcycle riders nationwide.

The Highway Bill is not just another piece of legislation, it’s the framework that determines how federal transportation dollars are spent for roads, bridges, safety programs, transit, and critical infrastructure across the country. It also shapes policy priorities for the next several years and influences everything from highway design standards to safety initiatives that directly affect motorcyclists.

Because this reauthorization only happens once every five years or so, the 2026 process represents our best opportunity during this Congress to embed rider-friendly policies and priorities into federal transportation law.





This is a once-in-a-Congress opportunity to build lasting legislative success for motorcyclists and your engagement will make a difference.

As it relates to bikers, much of the Highway Bill is written, amended, and negotiated through two key congressional committees with jurisdiction over transportation policy, the U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the U.S. House Committee on Transportation & Infrastructure.

These two committees play a central role in shaping transportation and infrastructure provisions, including highway safety, roadway funding, and other surface transportation issues.

Over the coming months and into the spring and summer legislative sessions, we expect:

- 🏍️ Committee hearings and markups on surface transportation priorities.
- 🏍️ Opportunities for grassroots engagement — from contacting lawmakers to participating in advocacy campaigns.
- 🏍️ Movement on key rider issues as policymakers negotiate the terms of the next multi-year transportation package.

Because the Highway Bill touches every state and every rider, it's essential that the motorcycle community is heard early and often.

The 2026 Surface Transportation Reauthorization is not just another bill — it's an opportunity that comes along twice a decade for Congress to move many of our legislative priorities forward. We'll be watching every step of the process closely and will send action alerts, updates, and opportunities to engage as this bill moves through Congress.

Stay tuned, stay engaged, and let's make 2026 a breakthrough year for riders.

“As motorcyclists’ rights advocates’ we simply want to ride where we want, when we want, on what we want, wearing what we want, with whom we want.” MRF President, Kirk “Hardtail” Willard

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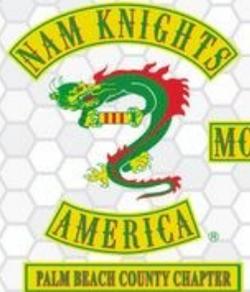
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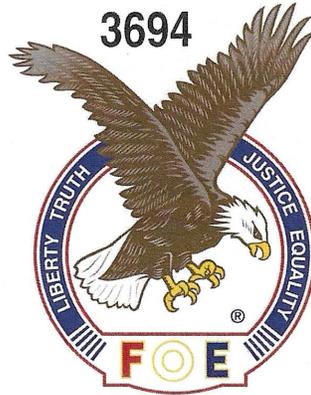
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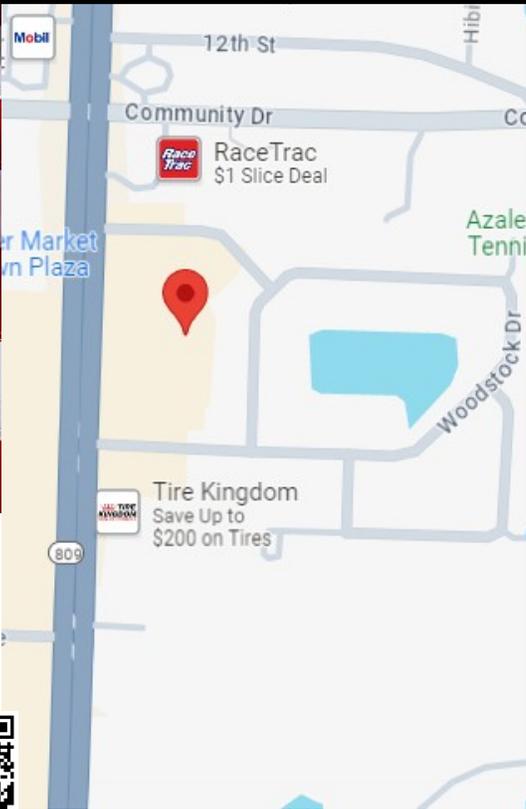
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