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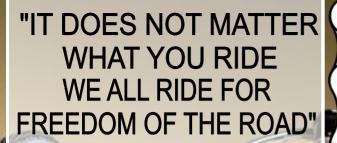




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NEW DREAMS

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Texas ABATE Confederation Inc.

The mission statement of Texas ABATE Confederation is to promote and defend motorcyclist's freedom, safety and awareness through education and legislation to make Texas the best place to ride.

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NEW ABATE MEMBERS

Total Number of New Members by Chapter & Independents

| | ОСТ | VOV | 2023 |
|----------------|------|------|------|
| CHAPTER | 2023 | 2023 | YTD |
| ARLINGTON | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| DENTON | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| HEART OF TEXAS | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| LAKE CITIES | 1 | 2 | 28 |
| TEXOMA | 2 | 0 | 38 |
| INDEPENDENTS | 2 | 0 | 6 |



2025 STATE OFFICE OPENINGS

Calling all ABATE Members- it is time to demonstrate your dedication and passion in fighting for motorcyclists' rights by stepping up and volunteering to hold one of the open officer's positions at Texas ABATE. Below are the Executive & Administrative officer positions open that need to be filled for the 2-year term beginning January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2026:

Secretary (Executive Officer)

Record and maintain Corporation meeting minutes, and pertinent documents

Work in conjunction with the Coordinator to establish meeting agendas and provide notification for every Corporation meeting to the Board and Corporation officers.

Maintain a current copy of the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws.

May sign Corporation checks.

Legislative (Administrative Officer)

Direct the legislative and political goals of the Corporation, both state and federal.

Serve as the Corporation's official representative to other Motorcycle Rights Organizations (MRO's).

Attend MRO seminars.

Submit articles to the Corporation newsletter on all conferences attended.

Submit expense report with receipts to the Treasurer for reimbursement.

Maintain communications with Chapter Legislative officers.

Maintain current membership for the Corporation in federal & state MRO's.

Products (Appointed Administrative Officer)

Develop and implement a merchandising program.

Makes recommendations to the Board regarding merchandise that the Corporation may wish to sell.

Maintain accountability of inventory and monies received.

Submit monthly financial reports to the Treasurer no later than the 20th day of the following month of all product sales and expenses.

Security (Appointed Administrative Officer)

Maintain order at all Corporation meetings and events.

Keep and maintain security equipment.

Remember, State positions are 2-year terms. For more detailed information regarding the duties of these offices see pages 12-14 of (The) Texas ABATE Confederation Bylaws.

Thanks, Terri Davison

Assistant Coordinator.....Texas ABATE Confederation



House of Representatives Votes to Defend Internal Combustion Engines

Wednesday, the U.S. House Of Representatives passed H.R. 4468, the Choice in Automobile Retail Sales Act of 2023 (CARS Act). The CARS Act is a bill designed to stop the Environmental Protection Agency from instituting emission standards that force manufacturers to produce more electric vehicles, thus limiting consumer choice.

The final vote on the bill was 221 to 197. 216 Republicans and 5 Democrats supported the bill, authored by Rep. Tim Walberg of Michigan, the co-chairman of the House Motorcycle Caucus.

After his introduction of the CARS Act, Representative Walberg said, "The Administration cannot continue to create regulations that limit consumer choice, hamper mobility, make vehicles more expensive for families, and cede America's auto leadership and jobs to China."

H.R. 4468 is the second bill in 2023, passed by the U.S. House, that pushes back against the attack on internal combustion engines. In September, the House passed H.R.1435, the Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act. That bill limited individual states from making their own rules on emissions. Recently, California and likeminded states have been using a federal exemption to pass laws that would constrain the sale of internal combustion engines. H.R. 1435 would put a stop to that exemption.

The passage of the CARS Act shows that some members of Congress are concerned about the rush to eliminate the internal combustion engine. Thank you to all the members of the House who voted to protect consumer choice!

Both bills now await action by the U.S. Senate.

- S. 3094 Choice in Automobile Retail Sales Act of 2023
- S. 2090 Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act







JANUARY BIRTHDAY!



You can obtain the latest up to date information regarding our Texas ABATE Legislative Issues at the following Facebook page... https://www.facebook.com/TexasABATELegislative

Terri Davison

Assistant Coordinator



Texas ABATE Membership

As you know, membership is one of the key ingredients to sustaining Texas ABATE and without our members we would cease to exist. According to Merriam-Webster, the definition of membership is: 1) the state or status of being a member; 2) or the body of members. ABATE members are not only a state, status, or body of numbers; we are Texas constituents, voices and votes.

Help increase our Texas ABATE membership by signing up and sponsoring new members to join our organization. Use the recipe below to encourage individuals to join.

- S Sustainability... Assist in the growth of Texas ABATE membership
- U -Understanding...Knowledge of what Texas ABATE stands for and our mission
- C Communications ... Maintain open communications
- C Cooperation...Cooperation is vital to achieving ideals and goals
- E Education...Promote compliance with the laws of Texas public roads & highways
- S Safety...Promote safety of both motorcyclists and motorists
- S SUCCESS...ACHIEVE favorable and desired outcome(s)

Rober Crowdis

Membership Officer

NONE OF THE MOTORCYCLES IN THIS PICTURE CAN BE SEEN IN THE TRUCKER'S MIRROR'S OR OTHER BLIND SPOTS. Take a moment and "SHARE this on your Facebook Page. IT COULD SAVE THE LIFE OF A SOMEONE YOU LOVE.





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2024 Honda Gold Wing Tour Airbag DCT

As we know, the luxury tourer was almost completely redesigned for

the <u>2018 model year</u>, dropping a pile of weight and getting a double wishbone front suspension as well as a reworked flat six-cylinder engine. The changes instantly broadened its appeal, and further improvements to suspension, electronics, audio and rider conveniences in subsequent years helped evolve the big Wing further. All of which is to say that for 2024, the venerable Wing is essentially unchanged, but you're still getting a feature-packed spec sheet, with a seven-speed <u>DCT transmis-</u>

sion, a 7-inch TFT screen, navigation, Apple Car-Play, Android Auto, an adjustable electric windscreen, Smart Key operation, four riding modes, traction control, Hill Start, and more. The Gold Wing Tour variant adds a rear luggage box with integrated backrest and even more comfort features.

For 2024 the big Wing is returning in top-of-theline Gold Wing Tour Air-



bag DCT form, with a \$33,000 MSRP and will be available in Pearl White.

The Gold Wing Tour in both DCT and manual forms is back as well, in Gray Metallic/Black or Pearl White options for \$29,700 and \$28,700, respectively.

The base-model Gold Wing and Gold Wing DCT, however, do feature a new color for 2024; both are available in Matte Armored Green Metallic, with brown detailing on the engine cases. The base Wing rings in at \$24,700, and the DCT version at \$25,700.

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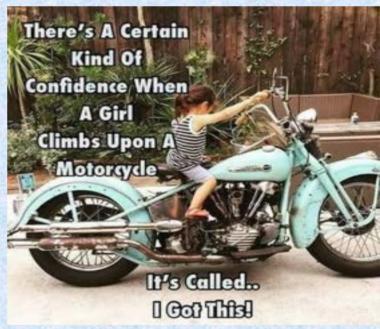


- 1)... To initiate, endorse and sponsor educational programs such as rider safety, public awareness, legislative and affirmative action and, individual freedoms and rights.
- 2)... To create and promote a positive public image of motorcyclists and motorcycle groups and to dispel and disprove media hype, unfounded propaganda and the "Hollywood" image.
- 3)... To encourage goodwill and mutual understanding among motorcyclists, law enforcement personnel and the general public.
- 4)... To serve as an information source on matters pertaining to current laws, pending legislation, personal rights, political inclinations of elected officials and their constituents, and voter awareness.
- 5)... To act as a central responsive agency to devise and coordinate recreational, legislative, educational, and charitable activities





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*Include your name & any questions

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Generic "Support Your Local ABATE" Shirts...Come in SOLID (Black, Red or Blue) Colors or in a variety of Tye-Dye Designs (A, B, C) These shirts have the Texas ABATE Logo on the front, and "Support Your Local ABATE" with the State Website URL on the back. Wear it with pride!!! What a GREAT way to encourage Freedom Fighters who want to fight for the rights of Texas Bikers!!!







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| Membership Type | Donation | Dura- tion | |
| Individual Membership | \$20 | 12 Months | |
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The MRF's primary goals include:

- Monitoring and influencing federal legislation for any impact on the motorcycling community at large
- Representing street motorcyclists by participating in federal research and advisory committees
- Protecting street motorcyclists from unfair or burden some federal agency restrictions and regulations
- · Ending discrimination against street motorcyclists
- Providing all street motorcyclists with direction and information to protect their motorcycling rights
- Promoting motorcycling safety, training, education, licensing and public awareness on American roads



WHO WE ARE

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation is the Nation's premiere motorcyclists' rights organization that is chiefly concerned with issues at the national and international levels that impact the freedom and safety of American street motorcyclists. We are also committed to educating rights advocates to improve effectiveness at the state and local levels. The MRF works together with street motorcyclists, State Motorcyclists' Rights Organizations (SMROs), the motorcycle industry, the media and other organizations, assisting them with state and local agendas as well as working with them to influence action and policy in Washington, DC - from the Congress to government departments and agencies to the Office of the President of the United States. We also work with allies in Canada, Europe and Asia to influence talks on vehicle globalizationand harmonization that are proceeding under the United Nations and the World Health Organization.



Mail to: Motorcycle Riders Foundation - PO Box 9090 - Peoria, IL 61612 - Phone: 202.546.0983 - www.mrf.org - mrfoffice@mrf.org

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- ☐ 3-Year Joint Membership \$140
- ☐ Sustaining Membership Club \$100
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- ☐ Freedom Fighter Donation ☐ \$10 ☐ \$25 ☐ \$



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