

2008/2009 New Jersey Legislative Session

Bills of Interest to Motorcyclists (As of Mar 9, 2009)

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Bill Number	# Last Session	Synopsis	Status	ABATE Support	Primary Sponsor(s)
A1684	A3701	Establishes Lane Splitting Task Force.	1/8/2008 Introduced, Referred to Assembly Transportation, Public Works and Independent Authorities Committee	Yes	Assemblywoman Alison Mchose, Dist 24 Assemblyman Gary Chiusano, Dist. 24
A2414	N/A	Establishes special motorcycle license plates for veterans.	Bill died in Assembly Transportation, Public Works and Independent Authorities Committee. Replaced by A3713. S2610	Yes	Assemblywoman Marcia Karrow, Dist. 23
A2560	S1227	Requires MVC to accept certain motorcycle safety courses	5/5/2008 Introduced, Referred to Assembly Transportation, Public Works and Independent Authorities Committee. Identical Bill # S2606.	Yes	Assemblywoman Marcia Karrow, Dist 23 Assemblyman Jack Conners, Dist. 7
S808	N/A	Requires Municipal prosecutors to review, and transmit driver abstract to judge prior to recommending plea agreements for unsafe driving.	1/28/2008 Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Law and Public Safety and Veterans' Affairs Committee.	Yes	Sen. Stephen Sweeney, Dist. 3 Sen. Leonard Lance, Dist. 23
S2432	N/A	Increases penalties for motor vehicle right-of-way violations and requires attendance at Driver Improvement Program.	12/11/2008 Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Transportation Committee	Yes	Sen. Fred Madden, Dist. 4 Sen. Stephen Sweeney, Dist. 3
A3292	N/A	Enacts motorcycle safety regulations.	10/6/2008 Introduced, Referred to Assembly Transportation, Public Works and Independent Authorities Committee	This Bill should not be endorsed by ABATE as written. Currently working with RENJ on rewriting Bill.	Assemblyman Joseph Cryan, Dist. 20
S643	S1286	Allows certain nonprofits to apply directly to Division of Highway Traffic Safety for Federal Grants.	1/8/2008 Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Transportation Committee	This Bill should be withdrawn as an identical set of Bills; A2196 and S2158 were passed in the 2006/2007 session and signed into Public Law in P.L. 1987, c.284, approved May 04, 2007.	Sen. Paul Sarlo, Dist. 36
S2308	S1004	Establishes additional fines and penalties for motor vehicle right-of-way violations.	10/27/2008 Introduced in the Senate, Referred to Senate Transportation Committee	This Bill should be withdrawn. The Bill is a reintroduction of S1004 from the 2006/2007 session. It has been replaced with S2432 and has been reintroduced in error.	Sen. Stephen Sweeney, Dist. 3
A3681	N/A	Increases penalties for certain motor vehicle right-of-way violations and requires attendance at Driver Improvement Program.	1/26/2009 Introduced, Referred to Assembly Transportation, Public Works and Independent Authorities Committee. Identical Bill # S2432.	Assembly version of Senate Bill S2432 for which ABATE supports passage.	Assemblyman Nelson Albano, Dist. 1 Assemblyman Matthew Milam, Dist. 1
A3579	N/A	Requires motor vehicle inspection to include federal noise level requirements.	1/13/2009 Introduced, Referred to Assembly Law and Public Safety Committee. Identical Bill # S2630.	ABATE has no "Official" position on this Bill at this time. Sen Karrow states this Bill is meant to target Tractor Trailers who use Jake Brakes.	Assemblywoman Marcia Karrow, Dist. 23
A3850	N/A	Removes authority of MVC to increase certain fees; sets certain fees by statute.	Text of Bill is not complete at this time.	Yes	Assemblyman Mike Doherty, Dist 23 Assemblywoman Denise Coyle, Dist 16
A3713	N/A	Establishes decal system in place of special license plates.	Bill passed Assembly Transportation committee on 2/5/09. Amended to include motorcycles and passed in General Assembly on 3/5/09 .	Yes	Assemblyman John Wisniewski, Dist 19 Assemblyman Gordon Johnson, Dist 37 Assemblyman Matthew Milam, Dist 1 Assemblywoman Linda Stender, Dist 22 Assemblywoman Bonnie Colman, Dist 15
Off-Highway Bills					
A142 , A823 , A1054 , A2796 , S1059 , S2055				ABATE has no "Official" position on these Bills at this time.	
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General Bills with possible effect on motorcycles also or Bills with possible discriminatory exclusion of Motorcycles (Worth Watching)					
A803/S1334	A931/S2553	Motor Vehicle Owners Right to Repair Act	Bill Passed the Assembly 10/27/2008 and was received in the Senate 10/27/2008		
A2460/S987	N/A	Creates Green E-ZPass discounts for certain fuel-efficient vehicles	3/6/2008 Introduced, Referred to Assembly Transportation, Public Works and Independent Authorities Committee		
A2379/S292	N/A	Provides sales and use tax exemption for new motor vehicles with certain fuel efficiency	2/28/2008 Introduced, Referred to Assembly Environment and Solid Waste Committee		