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WASHINGTON DAYS KANSAS DEMOCRAT CONVENTION

February 9th
Starting at 9 am
Kansas State Capitol
We will have a table on
the 2nd floor rotunda
in the NW quadrant

Call Legislators Now to
set up meetings and speak
one on one about current
house bills that ABATE of
Kansas supports.
See more in this edition.

WHAT: Visit our ABATE
hospitality room.

WHEN: February 26, 2016
8:00 AM

WHERE: Ramada Topeka
Downtown Hotel and
Convention Center,
Southeast 6th Avenue,
Topeka, KS

The Kansas Democratic
Party and ABATE of Kansas
invites you to join us for the
110th Washington Days. We are
looking forward to continuing
to build upon our grassroots
organization and put our energy
towards preparing for the 2016
elections.

KANSAS REPUBLICAN PARTY CONVENTION

WHAT: Visit Our ABATE
Hospitality Room

WHERE: Overland Park
Marriott, 10800 Metcalf
Avenue, Overland Park, KS

DESCRIPTION: Schedule
to come. Speakers, Meals,
Reception Rooms, State
Committee Meeting

WHEN: Fri., February 19,
2016, 4:30 pm – 11:30 pm
Sat. 20th 7:00 am - 9:00 pm

ABATE of Kansas Inc.

Wants Your T-Shirt Designs
For our 41st Annual Labor Day Rally
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April 29, 2016

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41st Annual National Labor Day Rally

Winner Receives:
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Septic Tank Pumps

Shower Rentals

Tent Rentals

Waste Disposal

Previous year contractors will be sent a bid sheet, if you
provide services listed about and would like to receive a bid
sheet please contact the ABATE of Kansas Office at (800)
657-5763 or email office@abateks.org

Thank you for Supporting ABATE of Kansas



State Meeting

Meeting called to order Saturday, January 9, 2016, at 12:05 pm, at Pooches Bar & Grill in Smith Center, Kansas. The Pledge of Allegiance was said and a Moment of Silence was observed for our fallen brothers and sisters. District Roll Call was completed with 12 of 14 districts represented. The following districts were present: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 15. Districts 12 and 13 were not represented.

Secretary Report: Minutes of the December 12, 2015 meeting were read by Carey Griffin-Wingett who was acting secretary in the absence of both the Recording Secretary and the Alternate Recording Secretary. Motion was made to approve the minutes by Bill S. and 2nd by Jodi S. Motion passed by a show of hands.

Financial Report: Richard provided written financial reports for the BOD's review and gave a detailed year-end report. Richard stated that he and Carey had discussed our hotel room use for each State meeting and knowing in advance the BOD's that would need rooms; therefore, a sign-up sheet for February's meeting in Newton is being passed around. Rooms will be reserved using the sign-up sheet each month.

Old Business: Republican Days will be February 19 & 20, 2016, Overland Park, KS. We normally have a hospitality room. Brian T. stated that his suggestion was not to have the hospitality room at the Republican Days this year. The Democrat Days will be at the downtown Ramada in Topeka, KS, on February 26 & 27, 2016. All seats are up this year. Set up a hospitality room at the Ramada, Friday evening

and Saturday morning. Paul S. reminded everyone of the vote taken for only setting up a hospitality room on Friday evening. We will so a 'meet-and-greet' on Saturday.

There is a conflict with several of our members who normally attend the Republican Days as the Mid-South Mile Committee Meeting is in Joplin, MO, on February 21st. Sis asked for the districts assistance with our attendance. Tony R-R stated he'd see what he could do. Sis asked Brian T. for the information on his contacts to ensure she has contacts. Brian T. asked about the budget for Rep/Demo Days. Discussion followed. A motion was made by Benny H. with a 2nd by Jodi S. to limit the amount of money the State spends on food and beverages for Washington Days. A roll call vote was taken: D1-Y; D2 -Y; D3-Y; D4-Y; D5-Y; D6-Y; D7-Y; D8-Y; D9-Y; D10-Y; D11-Y; D15-Y; Sgt-at-Arms -Y; VP - Y; Treasurer-Y; Member-at-Large-Y; Secretary-Y.

Biker's Under the Dome will be held February 9, 2016. Sis B. stated she'd donated funds for the purchase of food; however, it was decided to provide information on A.B.A.T.E. and to discuss the 'cheese cutter' and 'Right of Way' bills at Biker's Under the Dome with our legislators. It was agreed that the money donated by Sis would be returned to her.

New Business: Tony R-R requested a list of his districts members email addresses. Tony R. said he still had active members that were not listed on his district's new member list. Carey G-W stated that she would provide a list of member's names and their

email addresses. Carey stated that any district who has 'missing members' she will need the name & a receipt or cancelled check for proof of payment re-issue a card. In 2015 the Incentive program recipients were not processed. The old membership list will need to be reviewed then any Incentives awarded.

Bear came forward with an idea for selling t-shirts. His district sold them several years ago with successful results. It was a one-time sale, the t-shirts had "the war for freedom was won in 1776, the fight for freedom is never finished" on the front; the back had the A.B.A.T.E. district information. Bear's idea is to do the sale again - a limited edition sale for 3 months. Each district would think of an idea for a t-shirt. The district's agreed. Bear will bring cost information to the next meeting.

Bear told everyone present that the bartender was working free gratis, please tip her.

Richard provided information on the sewer backup at the State office. City maintenance workers were on-site for 2 days. We need furnish information regarding cost estimates for repairs and replacements which include carpet, several walls or parts of walls. Our insurance has a sewer backup clause but for now any action on their part is on hold. The City has put us on their 3-month maintenance schedule; we need a check valve installed. A recommendation was made Jon P. recommended to put in 2 clean-outs.

Break for Lunch: 1:10 pm – 2:05 pm. A big Thank you to District 2 for the lunch!

Bill S. noted that our Bylaws and Policies & Procedures do not have any wording for having only one (1) member

per household on the Board of Directors at one time. He said he'd make a motion to make the change. There was discussion then the policy change was tabled until later in the year.

Ringo noted that District 12 requested a change for the State meeting held in April in Emporia. The changes include having lunch at Noon with the State meeting to begin at 1:30 pm. The members were in agreement with the changes.

Labor Day Rally: The Labor Day Committee is to be chaired by Richard B., our Treasurer. The members of the Committee are: Paul H. - Site Coordinator & Maintenance; Ron V. - Security; Bryon H. - Entertainment, Stage Area/ Security; Tony R. & Tammy W. - Vendors; Bill C. - State & Event Products; District 4 & Bill C; Tony RR - Bike Games/ Show; Showers - are being looked in to; Paul H. - Sat. Ice; District 15 w/ help from District 6 - Front Gate; Paul H. - Set up/Clean up. Others: Byron H. - Battle of the Bands. Richard B. is talking with the 'old' shower vendor; was told that there was a new trailer reserved for LDR 2016. Trash pickup has been an issue, no one wants to work all weekend; therefore, Richard is also talking to Honey Creek and other companies to see if we can get several trash companies to work one day of the Rally. Paul H. wondered whether the companies would go to the field sites or if the bagged trash would need to be brought to the road. Another issue has been the food vendors leaving their oil/grease in bags at the Rally site instead of taking it with them for disposal. Ron V. said the stage needs new panels and scaffolding. If it is expanded a different trailer will be needed. Paul S. stated that the stage needs repairs now;





later we can work on enlarging it. When the weather warms up Paul H. will check the stage which will give a better idea of what is needed and get estimates. Byron H. informed the members present that sponsorship letters had been sent out. Any funds received will be put in the Entertainment budget. Ideas were given for advertising the Labor Day Rally. The road guards at the Front Gate need to have a list of names for each of the vendor's helpers. Vendors won't be allowed to set up on the pad until noon on Wednesday. Help is needed at the Front Gate.

Ringo stated some of the vendors were complaining about the number of vendors on-site at the Rally. The BOD voted to have more vendors last year with the result being about 40 vendors coming to the 2015 Labor Day Rally. Having a higher number of vendors gives more variety and competitive pricing. Ringo stated that he thought that the number of vendors we currently have is a good one; that we not have any more than what we have now. Ringo ask if that was "OK" with everyone. The response was 'yes' by those present.

Bill C. reminded those present that the LDR art work was needed to allow time for the districts to look it over, make their choice, then vote on the final design in May. Tammy W. stated that a computer graphic design is better than a hand-drawn one especially for putting on a black t-shirt.

Lobbyist Report: Brian T. brought 3 handouts for districts. He is meeting with the chairman to discuss legislation. For more details see the Lobbyist Report in the newsletter and House Bill No. 2436. Brian stated the Republican Days will be February 19th & 20th

at the Overland Park Marriott, Overland Park, KS. The Democratic Days will be February 26th & 27th at the Ramada Inn, Topeka, KS.

MRF Report: Bill C. stated there wasn't a lot going on right now. Massachusetts has legislation on the right to wear a helmet; HD is giving free motorcycle training to First Responders and military. The information is available from HD. See the MRF report in the newsletter for a detailed report.

Motorcycle Awareness Report: Paul said there would be a KDOT meeting January 20th. We had 38 MC accidents in 2015. A breakdown of those accidents will be provided at the January 20th meeting. In the planning stage is a training course for trikes only. Motorcycle Awareness month is May; signs will be put out once again. See detailed report in newsletter.

Public Relations: No report.

Mid-South Mile Report: Sis said there is a meeting in Joplin, MO, February 21st. A decision on the location of the next Mile will be made. Ideas for the basket will be taken until April 2016.

Newsletter Report: Tammy told everyone that the January newsletter was sent out in a timely fashion. She also let those present know that there had been an issue with the e-mail. Our domain name was shut off. It was paid for 99 years but the documentation for payment has not been found. We have a temporary fix until we can get it figured out. Tammy said she'd recommend paying the provider the amount for 9 years' use in lieu of other options. If we lose our domain name another person or company can buy it. Tony R. made a motion, 2nd by Tony R-R, to pay a specified amount

for 9 years use of our domain name. Roll Call Vote: D1- Y; D2 - Y; D3-Y; D4-Y; D5-Y; D6-Y; D7-Y; D8-Y; D9-Y; D10-Y; D11-Y; D1-15-Y; Sgt-at-Arms -Y; VP-Y; Treasurer-Y; Member-at-Large-Y; Secretary-Y. Motion passed.

Website Report: Tammy said Kevin is working on a different host.

Products Report: Bill C. told everyone he had pins & rockers for sale as well as hoodies and shirts. Come buy them!

MRF Drawing: Won by Deb Cunningham

Drawing: Won by Dora; donated back to the State.

Motion made by Tony R-R to adjourn the meeting; 2nd by Jodi S. Meeting adjourned at

3:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Carey Griffin-Wingett



HELP WANTED

A.B.A.T.E. of KANSAS, Inc., is accepting résumé's for the position of **Office Manager**. This position is part time, approximately 20 hours per week except during the peak time of the year. The position is located at the State Office in Perry, Kansas. The Board of Directors will negotiate rate of pay. Position duties include but are not limited to: staffs the office during regular business hours; answers telephone and email queries; handles ordering and delivery of supplies & equipment; responsible for USPS mail receipt, review & distribution; writes and responds to written correspondence in a timely manner; responsible for the organization's membership roster and its continual updating; creates and completes reports; assembles packets for meetings and events; attends meeting, conferences, and events as required. Position requires proficiency in the use of computer(s), to include: Windows and Microsoft Office (Excel, Word, Outlook, etc); experience using copy machines, a facsimile machine, and a telephone. Applicant must have a good understanding of the English language and grammar. Position requires the ability to deal with a diverse group of people in a helpful and professional manner and to maintain confidentiality of the organization and its members. Must be able to work without supervision. The Board of Directors may assign or request other duties.

Résumé's must be postmarked by March 1, 2016 or they will not be accepted. The outside of the envelope have the word "APPLICATION" written on it.

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Newsletter Deadlines The deadline for all information turned in for your Newsletter each month is as follows. The deadline is 5:00 p.m., the Tuesday after the State Meeting unless stated otherwise. Anything received after the deadline will be subject to time-available basis only, but most likely, **will not appear in that months Newsletter!** This is necessary in order to have your Newsletter to you in a timely manner. Thanks for your help and understanding.

Mar 15|Apr 12|May 17



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Position duties include annual reports/filings with the State of Kansas; supervises Board of Director elections; oversees district elections and matters when requested; attends all Board of Director meetings; attends the MRF Meeting of the Minds, and attends all events on the State level. Computer experience is helpful. Applicant must be able to work without supervision.

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Lake Perry, Kansas



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FEBRUARY STATE MEETING

Saturday, February 13th, 2016
American Legion 400 S. Spencer Road
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MEETING STARTS AT 12 Noon

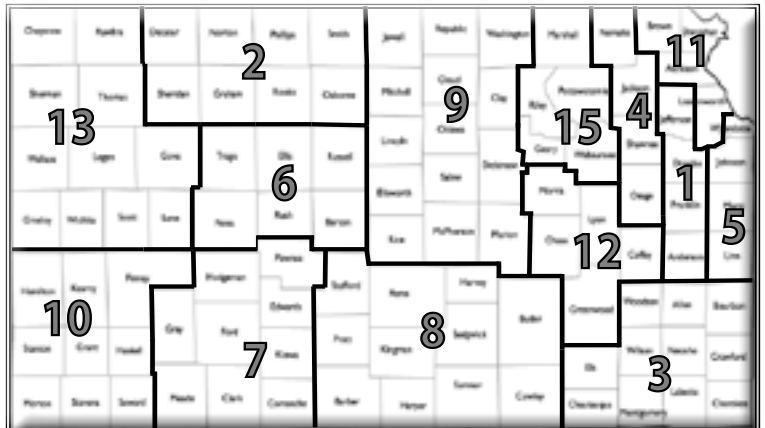
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UPCOMING STATE MEETINGS:

March 12th (Dist 7), Dodge City
April 9th (Dist 12), Emporia
May 14th (Dist 3), TBA

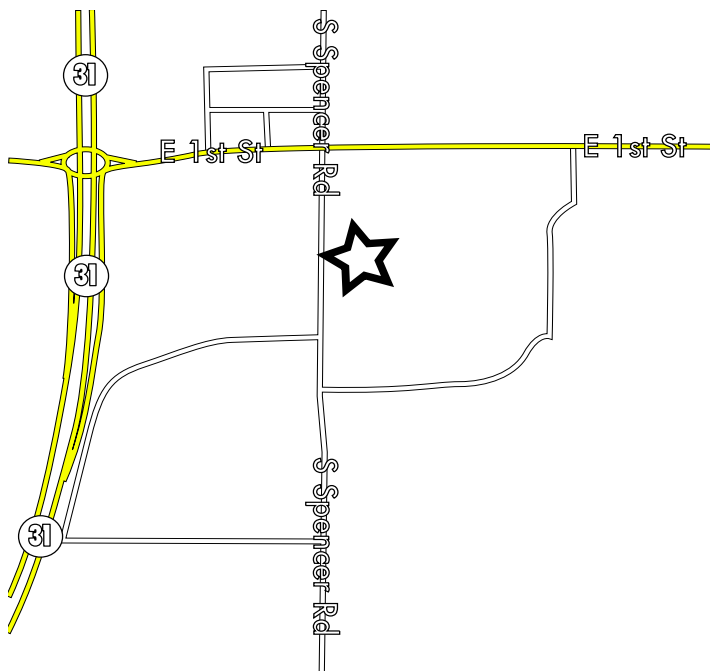
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Frequently Asked Questions

Can I wear a helmet and be a member?

Yes, ABATE strives to ensure all motorcyclists reserve the right to choose to wear a helmet or not. ABATE's stance is not Anti-Helmet, but rather Anti-Helmet Law. The factors of helmet use are too complex for a simple statistic, so ABATE believes, before government law needlessly endanger lives, that such a decision should be left to the rider, and pursue other venues of motorcycle safety--primarily education and awareness.

Do I need to be a Harley owner?

No, ABATE is an advocate for the rights of all motorcyclists, regardless of what or where they ride.

Do I need to own a motorcycle?

No, ABATE consists of all advocates of motorcyclists and motorcycling. The rights of which may be supported by anyone who cares, and are welcome to do so.

Do I have to live in Kansas?

No, ABATE of Kansas has many non-Kansas-resident members who still ride in Kansas. ABATE of Kansas does not believe the rights of motorcyclists stop at the state borderline. ABATE of Kansas works with other state and national Motorcycle Rights Organizations (MROs) to preserve rights wherever the road leads.

Is ABATE a motorcycle club?

No, ABATE of Kansas is classified as a lobbying organization.

Which District can I belong to?

You can belong to any district

you prefer. Districts are divided by county groups, except District 20 which is mostly out-of-state members, however also choose districts adjacent to their state, if preferred. You may choose any district based on where you work, live, or have social ties. The only restriction is that you can only belong to one district at a time.

Why did I stop getting a newsletter?

Chances are most likely you have either moved or your membership has expired. Please check with your district or the ABATE of Kansas State office. It may also be you are not listed with your local post office. Please check with them to make sure you are listed at that address.

Do I need my ABATE card?

Yes, keep your membership card with you when you can. At events, it's faster and more reliable than roster checking. Also, many of your stops may give discounts for ABATE members.

Is ABATE just about helmets?

No, ABATE monitors all bills, laws, and regs that impact motorcycling, including manufacturing, operation, environment and education.

Do I need a permit to camp on leased area at Lake Perry?

Yes, permits are required by the Corp of Engineers which are requested and obtained from the ABATE of Kansas State office in Perry, the only exception being if you plan to camp during the Labor Day Rally event.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION		Return Application to your nearest District or Mail to: ABATE of Kansas, Inc., P.O. Box 102, Perry, KS 66073 Dist. _____	
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DISTRICT NEWS

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Anderson, Douglas, Franklin and Jefferson

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District Rep. Bill Saric 785-207-7993



ABATE District #1 meeting was held Sunday, January 10, 2016 at 1PM at the American Legion, Perry, KS.

Bill S. opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our fallen comrades.

State Report: Bill S. reported the following: "Bikers Under the Dome" will be February 9, 2016 2nd floor of the Capital, NW quadrant from 9AM to 3PM. Republican Days will be February 19 and 20 in Kansas City. Democratic Day will be at the Ramada Inn in Topeka. A list of legislatures were shared. Report on the Right of Way bill and K-10 corridor. District #2 will be offering an ABATE t-shirt. The picture will be in the next newsletter. The April State meeting time has been changed from noon to 1:30. Abate website domain contract was understood to be for 99 years, but only for 9 years. Labor Day Rally 2016: District #1 will be hosting the beverage garden by the 2nd band stage. Volunteers are needed at the main gate for the LDR. Art work for the t-shirts needs to be submitted in May. It's preferred that it be submitted in digital format.. Districts #1 – 7 are to get a band for the 2nd stage for Battle of the Bands. Entertainment is to be increased for 2016.

Asst. Rep. Report: Chad G: Assisted with the newsletter and did inventory of District #1

items. Found some Cabin Fever pins and rockers. There were some patches with "In Memory of Joyce 1948-1993". Contact District #1 if you would want one. They will also be made available at LDR.

Secretary Report: Pam W. Motion to accept as read by Dora G, second by Ron B., passed.

Treasurer Report: Nova H. Motion to accept as read by Kevin M, second by Don R, passed.

Website: There was nothing to report.

Old Business: Plaque for Bradley's was purchased. Thanks Richard. District #1 will host the Valentine's Day Party with District #4, February 20th at Kick Start. Motion by Dora G and second by Nova H to help with sponsoring the band Hog Stomper. Please bring a covered dish. Cabin Fever Committee – volunteers are Ron B, Dora G, Nova H, and Pam W. District #1 Policies and Procedures – 2 changes to be made to Events, II. Hosting of Meetings. Motion to accept changes made by Dora G, second by Don R., passed. Nova will find out if District #1 also has bylaws. All member need to contact the State Office meeting if your mailing or email address has changed. Calendar for District #1 meeting dates and where they will be held were determined. Pam W. will contact the businesses

chosen to hold meetings to confirm the dates. If all confirmed, the calendar will be finalized and submitted to the State Office. Motion to proceed made by Dora G, second by Ron B, passed.

Don R. was the winner of the

50/50 draw and donated it back.

Don't forget that volunteers are needed for the newsletter next month.

Motion to adjourn made by Pam W and seconded by Kevin M. Meeting adjourned.

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Decatur, Gove, Graham, Norton, Osborne
Phillips, Rooks, Sheridan, Smith

District Rep. Rick Gitchel 785-533-1205



The dist. 2 January 10th 2016 meeting was called to order, at the Pizza Hut in Phillipsburg, by Rick with a moment of silence for fallen brothers and sisters.

It was moved by Kenny and seconded by Ardie to wave the reading of last month's minutes.

Bear gave the treasures report, and it was approved with no questions.

Rick gave the state meeting report. To save space and reduce errors read the state report in this newsletter.

Committee reports, Casino night went well, a big thank you to all the state board members who stayed to help make it a success. A special thanks to Dist. 9 and 3 for helping deal cards.

Bike Show, we voted on a design for the trophy's. Bear is getting the trophy sponsors so we can get them ordered.

Everyone needs to be looking for associate sponsors, we need to get them early so we can get them on the banners.

Old business, none at this time.

New business, Kenny would like to look into getting door prize sponsors for the bike show. He was told that would be ok as long as he doesn't contact the ones who are already sponsoring trophy's. We voted to have our winter social at the February dist. meeting. Anyone wanting to get in on the gift exchange should bring a wrapped gift. The February 14th Dist. 2 meeting will be at the Pizza Hut in Phillipsburg at 4:00 PM.

Kenny moved to adjourn, Bear seconded, meeting adjourned.

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Allen, Bourbon, Chautauqua, Cherokee, Crawford
Elk, Labette, Montgomery, Neosho, Wilson
Woodsondistrict3.abateks.org

District Rep. Bill Cooper 620-764-3734



District 3 meeting was held Sunday January 3rd at the Girard American Legion at 1:00. Coop started us off with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for our brothers and sisters lost. He

gave the state report. There was discussion about supporting the MRF and ABATE's involvement in the State Fair of Kansas in Hutchinson. As the District 3 Representative, Coop voted according to what



we had agreed upon, which was to support the MRF as we have for 25 years and to support the information booth at the State Fair. As these did not pass at the state level, Dave W. motioned to contribute as we had agreed in our past meeting. Jason D. seconded and all agreed.

Coop reported on his Dec 18th meeting with the County Commissioners and there was no opposition to our bike show being held at the Crawford County Fairgrounds as long as the Fair Board approves. That meeting is to be held Monday January 11th at 7pm at the County Extension Office on the square in Girard. Coop asked us all to attend if we could. It is important to keep the State Meeting in our District so we will try not to have it any later than the 2nd weekend in May 2016. Coop asked for suggestions if there are any problems with the fair board and Squeak thought that Elm Creek lake might be a good option and then Dan and Bev H. suggested the Dead End Rally site. Dan H. motioned that we look into another site if there is any problems with the Jan. 11th meeting. Gary I. seconded and all approved.

Bev gave the treasurer report. All approved.

Sec. Report waived. All approved.

Jack G. presented ideas for the District Logo and

T-Shirt designs. Thanks Jack! Products will look into making T-Shirts from some of them. All T-shirts from the Toy Run were sold and more had to be ordered. They helped defray the cost of insurance for the event. Ellie suggested that other than an actual event t-shirt with dates etc., that we look into shirts we can sell all year long.

The Hawg Waddle route may change a little with some of the businesses closing. Bev and Dan will reroute for us and the District meeting for March will be held before the event on Sat March 5th. Coop and Ellie will be designated drivers and a shuttle from the American Legion as needed. Coop encouraged all to help with the Hawg Waddle this year. A good time to be had by all and a good return for the effort for this one-day event.

Gary I. won the door prize and donated it back. Thanks Gary! Dave W. motioned to close the meeting and Jason D.2nd, all approved. See you Sunday Feb 7th at 1:00 at My Place in Cherryvale.

(from Coop: The Hawg Waddle will be here on Saturday March 5th along with out district meeting. Ellie and I will run a shuttle around the stops to help. Over half our members of district 3 live in Montgomery County so please come out and support our event.)

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Jackson, Nemaha, Osage and Shawnee
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District Rep. Ben Halderman 785-207-2395



The Meeting was called to order at Pappans Landing on January 10, 2016. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters. Sending thoughts and prayers to Ann Dodsons family for their loss. Ann was a member of the Board of Directors for the Mid South Mile.

Secretary Report: Motion to waive reading of the minutes made by Amber S and seconded by Jeanie C. Motion passed

Treasurer Report: Read by Lori H and approved by the District.

State Report: Read by Lori H. Artwork for Labor Day Rally shirts need to be submitted by the May State Meeting to be voted on. For detailed State Report, refer to the Newsletter

SMART Report: Steve C reported that they are working on scheduling course dates. Hope to have schedule set by March.

MRF Report: Steve C reported that KDOT is concerned about the money being spent on safety and awareness is not making a difference. They may divert money into other things. Legislation is back in session January 11, 2016.

Products Report: No report at this time.

Break: Door Prize won by Amber S.

Old Business: Christmas delivery to the Veterans was December 20, 2015 at the VA. Thank you Jack F, Paul S, Ted M, Tim F, Teddy Bear, Ben H, Roxie H, RC and Karen H for delivering the presents

and spending time with the Veterans. The District received a letter from the VA on behalf of the Veterans and staff thanking the District for our support.

New Business: Bowl-a-Thon will be January 17th, at West Ridge Lanes. Registration begins at noon and bowling from 1 pm to 4 pm. Need Door Prize donations. Bikers Under The Dome, February 9th from 9 am to 3 pm. Republican Days, February 19th -20th at the Overland Park Marriott. District 4 and District 1 Valentine Party at the Kickstart on February 20th, 7 pm. Bring a covered dish. Water Dog Nation will be the band playing at the party. Democratic Days will be February 26th - 27th at the Ramada Inn. Will have a Hospitality Room on Friday night. Bike Show Button Making Party will be March 5th, 3 pm at Don and Whitey Kitzman's residence. Bring a covered dish. Bike Show March 18th - 20th at the Expo Centre. Swap Meet March 19th, 10 am at the Heritage Hall. Bike Show Shirt artwork voted on and Jack F artwork was selected by the District. Congratulations Jack F.

Nominations: District Representative: Byron H nominated Jack F who accepted. Secretary: No nominations at this time. Motion to adjourn made by Amber S and seconded by Alvin B. Meeting adjourned.

Bike Show Committee Meeting January 12, 6:30 pm, at Pappans Landing. Next District Meeting February 14, 2016, 1 pm at Pappans Landing.





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Johnson, Linn, Miami, Wyandotte
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District Rep. Tony Rawls-Riley 913-706-8449



January 2nd, 2016 District 5 monthly meeting started at 12:00 at Jamz Bar & Grill. We started with a moment of silence for fallen brothers and sisters followed by the Pledge of allegiance.

Roll call: District Rep. – Present, Assistant District Rep. – present, Treasurer – present, Secretary – present, Sgt of Arms – present

There were 17 members present.

Tony read the state meeting report and legislative report. Beth's treasures report, and it was approved with no questions.

Product Line – We have more hoodies and long sleeve shirts available in pink, black and gray. If you would like one, please contact Beth or Debbie H or Beth S..

Old business we talked about the upcoming group bowling on January 23rd at Ranch Bowling from 3-5 pm. Non-members are encouraged to attend. We are planning a trip to Snow Creek, February 20th, from 5-7 pm. In March, we plan to attend the Capital City bike show as a group and we will have a District 5 booth. April will be miniature golf at Smileys, with official date to be decided.

For additional information

contact Debbie H.

The donation barrels out at the Red Eye and Moose Lodge for Battered Women's shelter will be picked up and delivered the second week of January.

New business we discussed District 5 is sponsoring a band for "Battle of Bands" at the National A.B.A.T.E. rally this year. Bud C will be doing the mini bike races on May, and we will be having a coffee run to donate money to Safe House.

Charles S. stepped up as SGT of Arms in place of Bobby S. Bud C was voted into a new position as Alternate Board Member.

There were many new ideas brought to the table for events to get ABATE in the public eye. We will think further on these ideas and talk about them in upcoming meetings.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Debbie H and she donated back to the district.

The February District meeting will be February 6 at noon at Red Eye 6102 State Ave, Kansas City, KS 66102

We will have chilli for this meeting. Kim at the Red Eye is providing the deserts.

The March District meeting

will be March 5th at noon at Kobi's Bar and Grill 113 Oak St, Bonner Springs, KS 66012

6

Barton, Ellis, Ness, Rush, Russell, Trego

District Rep. Becca Hardman 785-259-9557



District 6 ABATE met December 18, 2015 at the Golden Griddle in Hays. Nine members and one guest were present.

The meeting was called to order by Representative Becca Hardman followed by a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance. Introductions were made.

Minutes of the October meeting were not available.

Financial report read and accepted.

Old business included that there is a need to continue to work on fund-raising. May have a party in April to celebrate 1 year anniversary and invite all other districts. There could be a silent auction,

buffet dinner, and dance. Tentative date is April 23. Members are requested to brainstorm and bring ideas to the January meeting.

It was mentioned that the St. Patrick Day Parade at Rush Center would be a good place to be seen as a group; definite date will be announced, probable date March 12, 2016.

In order to submit minutes to newsletter in time the meetings will be changed to the second Sunday of the month at 4:00 pm.

Next meeting will be January 10 with location to be announced. Brad motioned, Danny seconded, all in favor of adjournment.

District 6 ABATE met January 10, 2016 at Sip 'N Spin in Hays. Six members and one guest were present.

The meeting was called to order by Representative Becca Hardman followed by a moment of silence for fallen brothers and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Reading of past minutes were waived.

Financial report read and accepted.

Old business included discussion of party April 23,

2016. Mike hasn't heard back regarding the location; plan to hire a DJ; consider food or just dance and auction. A flyer will be created for donations etc; all are encouraged to go out and get donations for the auction.

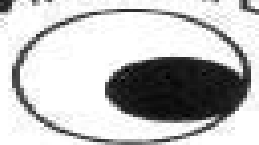
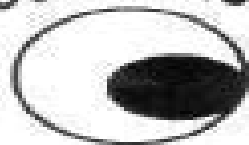
New business included report from State meeting by Jude.

District bylaws are complete

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting February 14, 2016 with location to be announced.

BE AWARE!
MOTORCYCLES ARE EVERYWHERE!

LOOK TWICE! SAVE A LIFE!





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**Clark,Comanche,Edwards,Ford,Gray
Hodgman,Kiowa,Meade,Pawnee**

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District Rep. John Kernell 620-225-1969



ABATE District 7 meeting called to order 12/18/15 at 7:34 pm. Pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters.

District Rep. John Kernell called for an executive session at all board members met in order to discuss resignation of Secretary Glenna Day and her replacement Michele Stubblefield. Resignation accepted and new appointment of Michele approved by all.

John gave state meeting report. See state news letter.

Old business: Charity Bowl March 12'h 5:30- 9:00 pm was discussed. Flyers are available, tickets will be available at a later date. It was decided that Hospice of the Prairie will be given 6 lanes of tickets to sell for the event. Place for state meeting to be decided at next meeting.

Treasure Report given by

Starla Kernell and approved.

New business: Nominations were made for District Rep, Doc Pritchett was nominated, accepted.

Nominations for Secretary- Michele Stubblefield nominated, accepted. Nominations for Member at large- Brandon Husband nominated, accepted.

Product was discussed, Brandon stated he would contact an associate about the cost of a screen printing machine to possibly do our own product.

Memory Patches for Rick Keas and Rhonda Thomas are ordered and will be available next meeting. If you wish to order these memory patches contact Pink at 316-990-5750.

Next meeting will be January 15 at 7:30 at Doc's house 2701 Hennessey Ct. in Dodge

Tuesday Feb. 9th Bikers Under the Dome 2nd floor, nw. quadrant. Republican Days Feb. 19th and Feb. 20th Overland Park. Democratic Days Feb. 26 and 27th.

ABATE Office- had a major flood in the office and got it taken care of. Openings for Office Sec. and Cooperate Sec.

L.D.R.- Tony R and Tammy W. are now the ones to take care of all the Vendors. Tammy W. is also a judge for Dist. 8 for the Battle of the Bands. Still have spaces for sponsors. Tammy W. has flyer.

Mile- Sis has given everyone till April for Idea names for the basket.

State Meeting- Feb. 13th the menu is as follows: Old Fashion Cheeseburgers, Sloppy Joes, sides will be baked beans, german coleslaw, onions and jalapenos, buns and chips dessert(s) cheesecake, and ??

Dist. 8 Old Business- Sunflower Swap Meet, Feb. 5th and 6th, at the Coliseum Pavilions we will have a booth, a sign up sheet will be passed around for working the booth. Setup Thursday Feb. 4th at 6

pm. Chili Cookoff and State Meeting are on the same day so we will not have bingo and pinewood derby hold off for 2017 to give us more time for prizes and etc.

The Chill we will fine tune at next Dist. Meeting.

The point system- Sami will bring a sheet so we all know how it works at next meeting.

New Business- Sami said we have a lot of problems for people renewing or new memberships

Our Chili Cook-off was as follows:

Best Appearance went to Brian Van Dyke's Snake Bite

Best Named wen to Brian Van Dyke's Snake Bite

Best Chili went to Alinda Rose with her Grandma's Chili. Alinda will be going to Alefs for their Chili Cook-off. Our Charity is Carpenter Place, formerly Maude Carpenter Children's Home.

50/50 was won by Deb.

Tony made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was 2nd by Tina motion passed.

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**Barber,Butler,Cowley,Harper,Harvey
Kingman,Pratt,Reno,Sedgwick,
Stafford,Sumner**

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District Rep. Tony Railsback 620-204-8018



District #8 meeting was held at the V.F.W. in Haysville, KS. Jan 10, 2016 at 12:10 pm.

Was called to order by Rep. Tony R. with the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence For lost brothers and sisters and former Rep. Glenda Dewey.

Roll call: Dist. Rep. Here, Asst. Rep. Here, Secretary Here, Treasure Here (late) Harvey Co. here.

Minutes from last meeting

were read, Brian Van Dyke made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Tina 2nd motion passed.

Treasurer Report- Approved as read.

Products Report- Ordering Beanies this week. Brian Van Dyke to make a holder for ABATE flag. A sign up sheet passed around for workers to work the booth at The Chill.

State Report-Brian T. paid for the Wooded Motorcycle.

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**Clay,Cloud,Dickinson,Ellsworth,Jewell
Marion,McPherson,Mitchell,Ottawa
Republic,Rice,Saline,Washington**

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District Rep. Jon Puckett 785-427-2494



The District 9 meeting was called to order at 1:37 pm on Jan 10th, 2016 with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence.

The secretary's and treasure's report were given and approved.

State news: See state news in the newsletter.

Awareness report: Mike S reported that he is still handing out signs.

Products report: None as the new products managers just

received the inventory.

Website report: All updated.

Old business: None

New business: Stoker award awarded to Ron V.

Upcoming events: Jan 23rd Russ's Birthday in Galva

Next meeting Feb 14th Russ and Myrna's in Galva

Drawing won by Tony M. donated to motorcycle awareness.

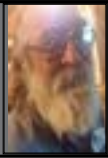




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**Finney, Grant, Hamilton, Haskell, Kearney
Morton, Seward, Stanton, Stevens**

District Rep. Troy Love 620-640-8471



January 3rd, Meeting called to order at 2 pm, With 3 members 2 guest in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance, moment of silence.

Treasure Report Read and Approved.

Minutes Read, Approved, and second by Ernie.

Old Business. State meeting January 9th at Smith Center Mark to Attend and Art to Asst. Nominees for elections of treasurer and Asst. Rep. John Nominated for Treasurer. New Business. Motion made to pay Linda's dues. Paid by Troy Rep and Member at large John.

Flyers for July Bash. July 8th-10th. Meade Lake, Concession, VVNW. Trailer is set up if NOT SOLD. Door Prize drawings to be held, needing donations. Dist 10 also has 2 Rifles for a donation drawing only 200 tickets to be sold for BOTH rifles. 1st Winner gets choice, 2nd winner gets which ever is left, Talk to Billie before March 5th or 6th Meeting at Meade Restaurant.

Motion made to Adjourned at 3:30 pm and Second by Mark.

Next meeting 2 pm Art's Garage February 7th.

Troy. Mtg. at noon and pool & darts 2pm.

Leavenworth Co. Report: Ric was absent, Lea spoke for him. A big thanks to everyone involved in the VA Chili feed. Thank you to Dave (Santa) Mann, WOW, CMA.

New Business: Need to get bands planned for the F. Events, work on artwork for shirts, fliers, etc. Motion to make a separate agenda for the Field Events made by Tom, Doyle seconded. Motion made by Todd for Doyle to be the track coordinator for the Field Events and the Labor Day Rally, Tom seconded. Nominations for Assistant Rep and Sgt. of Arms. Jim Betts was asked if he wanted to cover Sgt. of Arms,

Jim accepted. Motion made that Jim immediately be active to Sgt. of Arms, motion accepted. Missy accepted nomination to the Asst. Rep Position.

Next meeting: VFW Wathena Saturday February 6th at noon with Pool & Dart tournament to follow.

Drawing won by Darrell L. donated back to the district. Thank you, Darrell! Door prizes won, Abate tote bag – Missy, HD Sunglasses – Darrell Congratulations to Perry Dexter for winning the quilt! Meeting adjourned at 2:05 Tom motioned, Missy seconded.

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Atchison, Brown, Doniphan, Leavenworthdistrict11.abateks.org

District Rep. Jodi Stutzman 785-364-7265



The January meeting was call to order at 12:14p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence for our fallen brothers and sisters, also the recent Abate members lost and to those suffering illnesses. Jodi thanked everyone attending.

Secretary Report: read by Angel, approved by Robin, Missy seconded.

Treasurer Report: read by Ruth, approved by Todd, Missy seconded.

Product Report: We now have thumbs up shirts! A discussion about a separate budget to order more apparel, so we will be ready for all upcoming events. Motion to have budget and amount made by Doyle, Tom seconded. Will be purchasing more shirts and bandanas soon. Finger patches are coming also from Lea.

State/Rep Report: Democratic Days in Topeka Feb. 26-27th and the Chill in Wichita. Bikers under the Dome Feb. 9th 9am to 3pm. Ideas for the Mile theme. Artwork for the Rally needs to be turned in soon. March 20th KDOT safety mtg. 14% down on MC accidents. See state news for details and more info.

Atchison Co. Report: Missy and Chop are working on flier for Mother's Day Bike Show. Need to also start working on getting sponsors and Band. Discussed changing or lessening some of the bike show classes. Motion to accept the flier by Todd, Lea seconded.

Brown Co. Report: Reminder on Topeka bike show coming up in March.

Doniphan Co. Report: Reminder next month's mtg. at the VFW is in Wathena, not

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Chase, Coffey, Greenwood, Lyon, Morris

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District Rep. Lori Siebenaler 620-757-1664



The meeting was called to order by Lori. The pledge of allegiance followed with a moment of silence for our fallen brothers and sisters. Connie gave the treasurer's report. A motion was made to wave the previous monthly minutes, and there was no state meeting due to weather.

Old business was discussion about our annual bike show on April 9th that will be held at the fairgrounds in the Anderson Building.

Devlon is in charge of trophies if anyone has any questions.

Deb F. is in charge of advertising & flyers with Sarah assisting.

Connie & Vickie will take care of registration.

Tish, Sheila, & Joan are taking care of sponsorship.

Details are as follows:

Set-up will be on Friday from 3:00-9:00 p.m. Open to the public on Saturday from 7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Clean-up will be from 5:00-7:30 p.m. After party is 7:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

A motion to have the after party at VFW on 932 Graphic Arts Road in Emporia was made by Sheila that was seconded by Jerry, the motion was carried.

The entertainment & drawing has been tabled until next months meeting.

Our district was contacted about "The Memorial of Fallen Educators Ride" taking place for the first time in Emporia. Riders from all over the state of Kansas will be coming in with the names of 116 educators to honor, there may be upwards of 250 riders coming to the fairgrounds on April 9th,





2016 in conjunction with our bike show and there will be national publicity included. They will eat lunch at our bike show and have a procession to ESU. Flyers for this event will include information about our bike show.

A motion was made by Sarah, seconded by Bob to give a monetary donation to Ashley W., a young single mother that suffered a stroke. The motion carried.

Our annual Chili Feed was a great success as always and the winners are as follows:

Best Tasting went to Alana W.
Hottest Tasting went to Danny W.

Best Name "Back Side Whistler" went to Sheila M.

Thank you all for your contributions!

Penny won the door prize.

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was carried.

for committees, entertainment, vendors, etc.

Nominations for Alt-Representative, Treasurer, and Sgt. At Arms.

Alt-Representative - Darin W. (Accepted)

Treasurer - Steve K. (Accepted), Mike D. (Accepted)

Sgt. At Arms - Curtis B. (Accepted)

Future Meetings to be held at:

February 14th - Captain Jacks in Oakley. March 13th - The Rec in Scott City. April 10th - Chelle's in Brewster

Motion to adjourn was made by Wayne, seconded by Bryan, and approved by all.

Special thanks go to The Trench for hosting us!

Thank you to everyone that could make it out! Ride Safe!

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Geary, Marshall, Pottawatomie, Riley
Wabaunsee

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District Rep. Randy Bassler 785-826-6372



On January 10, 2016 District Rep Randy Bassler called the meeting to order at the Rattlesnake Inn in Ogden. The Pledge of Allegiance was said followed by a moment of silence for our brothers and sisters lost and the troops serving our nation.

Secretary's Report was read by Mark K. A motion to accept the minutes as read was made by George T, Seconded by Mike F, motion passed.

Treasure's Report was given by Cathy H. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Herbie M, Seconded by Mike F, motion passed.

State Report: Randy B. gave the state report. Please refer to the State Report in the newsletter for additional information.

Old Business: Larry W made a motion for the district to pay a \$5.00 difference on a membership that was sent back to the District. Bill L seconded motion, motion passed. Mark K gave an update on the Biker Ball; he met with Nick and went over details for ball. A menu was approved by members, Brenda K will be making the flyer and several more details were discussed for the ball.

Nancy W withdrew her motion to have a person, appointed by District 15 board, do an internal fiscal audit on District 15. Motion had been tabled at the November and December meetings.

Mark K discussed problems with the District Calendar and will be trying to get the monthly meetings set and a calendar made by February meeting. Look on District website for February meeting location.

New Business: Mark K volunteered to set up the May 21st Awareness Ride.

Drawing was won by Randy B and he donated it back to District. Thanks Randy.

A motion to adjourn was made by Herbie M. Seconded by Arlene T. motion passed.

Next meeting will be February 14th. Go to <http://abateks15.com> for meeting location.



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**Cheyenne, Greely, Lane, Logan, Rawlins
Scott, Sherman, Thomas, Wallace, Wichita**

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District Rep. Neil O'Connell 620-214-0485



District #13 Meeting for January 10th 2016 was called to order at 2:10pm CST in Tribune, KS.

Condolences were given and shared for our Sgt. At Arms, John "Chewy" Faulconer.

You will be missed and remembered, always.

The Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for fallen brothers and sisters was had.

Roll call was given with 19 members, one guest, with all officers except for Secretary and Sgt. At Arms present.

A big welcome to our new members! We are glad and excited to have you with us!

Darin was presented with his name badge and congratulated for his continuous effort and dedication to ABATE.

Secretary's Report: Cheryl made a motion to skip the secretary's report, seconded by Jan, and approved by all.

Treasurer's Report: Report was given by Steve. Rich made the motion to accept, seconded by Terry, and approved by all.

Rep. Report: Thank you

to Jim for picking up and delivering our state packet.

Information was given about the district's current Policies and Procedures

and was made available to all members for review.

Cheryl made a motion to accept the Policies and Procedures as written and to submit them to the state. Motion carried and passed by all.

The state report was given by Neil. Cheryl made the motion to accept the state report, seconded by Bryan, and approved by all.

Old Business: T-shirt colors and designs were decided last meeting and pre-order colors / sizes were collected by Kim.

Haunted house and Pumpkin patch event was discussed with preparations still to be made.

Memorial Run meeting with Russel Springs had been delayed.

New Business: Discussion was had about a Memorial event in memory of John.

Discussion was had about the Memorial Run preparations





Lobbyist Report

The legislature is in session
The Safety Corridor Bill
HB 2194 is in the House
Transportation Committee, we
are working the committee to
move it out to the house floor.

The Right-Of-Way Bill
HB 2195 also is in the House
Transportation Committee. We
are continuing to work it as
well.

The Alcohol Bill HB 2200
is out of committee awaiting
action. We will continue to
watch it.

Other legislation we are
watching...

HB 2219 Prohibiting use of
wireless device while operating
a motor vehicle. In Utility and
Communication Committee.

HB 2033 Additional 10MPH
above speed limit when passing.
In Appropriations Committee.

KANSAS STATE FAIR is
over. Time to start planning for
next year. The dates are Friday
September 9th thru Sunday
September 18th.

Time to start calling your
representative to have them
help push

HB 2194 & HB2195 Out of
committee and to the floor.

THANK- YOU .

A new event
BIKERS UNDER THE
DOME:

Tuesday February 9, 2016
from 9AM TILL 3PM

Located on the 2nd floor
rotunda in the NW quadrant
Come and go as you please.
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2015

HOUSE BILL NO. ____

15rs0558

By Representative Campbell

AN ACT regulating traffic; concerning right-of-way violations;
providing for increased penalties
in certain cases.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) Any person who is convicted of violating K.S.A.
8-1526, 8-1527, 8-1528,
8-1529 or 8-1531, and amendments thereto, and as a result of such
violation was involved in a
vehicle accident or collision, upon conviction, shall be guilty of an
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fine of not more than \$250;

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disfigurement to another person, by a fine of not more than \$500;
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(3) if the vehicle accident or collision results in the death of
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(A) A fine of not more than \$1000; and

(B) being required to perform 200 hours of community service if
such convicted person
is also convicted of violating K.S.A. 8-1567 or 8-15,111, and
amendments thereto.

(b) Convictions of violating K.S.A. 8-1526, 8-1527, 8-1528,
8-1529 or 8-1532, and
amendments thereto, which are punishable under this section shall
be considered a moving

violation for the purpose of K.S.A. 8-255, and amendments
thereto. A person shall not be

allowed to enter into a diversion agreement in lieu of further
criminal proceedings that would

prevent such person's conviction of violating K.S.A. 8-1526,
8-1527, 8-1528, 8-1529 or 8-1531,

and amendments thereto, from appearing on the person's record if
such violation resulted in a

vehicle accident or collision that caused bodily harm, great bodily
harm or disfigurement or death to another person.

(c) For the purpose of this section, "conviction" means a final
conviction without regard

to whether the sentence was suspended or probation granted after
such conviction. Forfeiture of

bail, bond or collateral deposited to secure a defendant's
appearance in court, which forfeiture

has not been vacated, shall be equivalent to a conviction.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after
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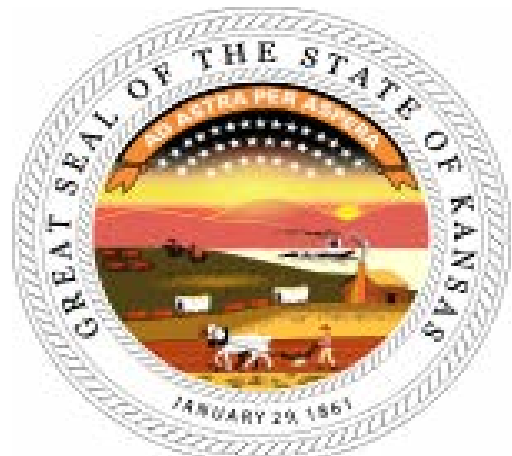
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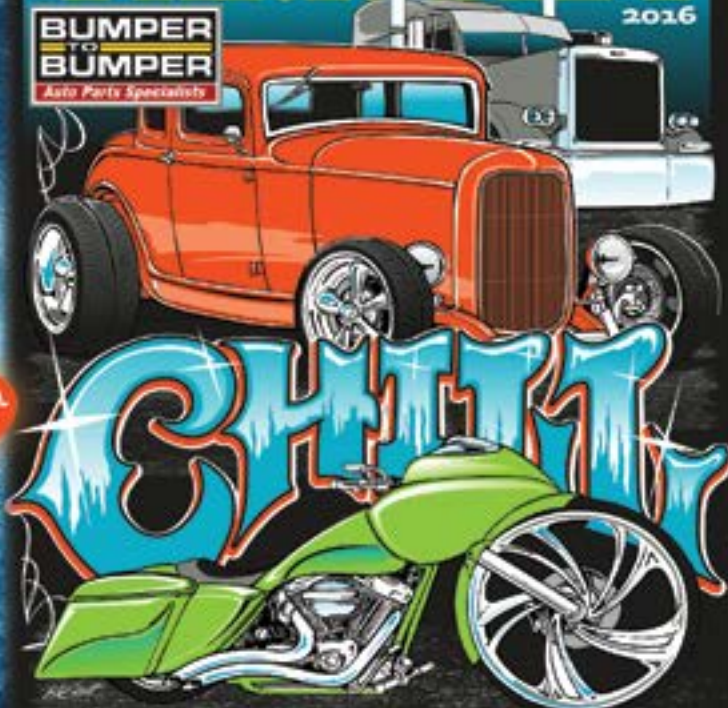
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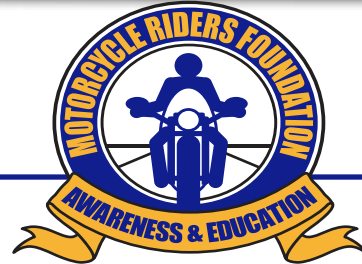
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