

2015-2016 Motorcycle Bills Summary

MMA

S.1855 – Motorcycle Safety Fund Bill – Senator Thomas McGee – Seeks to create a dedicated Motorcycle Safety Fund and also rebate not less than \$150.00 for Junior Motorcycle Riders who successfully complete the MREP BRC – Joint Committee on Transportation

H.2973 – Motorcycle Sound Emissions Bill – Representative Angelo D’Emilia – Seeks to direct LEOs usage in favor of MGL 90-7S, 7T, and 7U - Joint Committee for Transportation

S.2003 – Motorcycle Riders Helmet Choice Bill – Senator Anne Gobi – Seeks to provide Helmet Freedom of Choice for motorcycle riders within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

H.3081 – Malfunctioning Traffic Signal Bill (Dead Red) – Representative Thomas Sannicandro–Seeks to safely allow motorists to pass through a red light that isn’t working correctly - Joint Committee for Transportation

H.3056 – Right of Way (RoW) Violations Bill – Representative Keiko Orrall – Seeks to increase the pains and penalties of motorists who violate another motorists RoW - Joint Committee for Transportation – Public Hearings held July 2015

H.2981 – Special Regulations for Vehicle Specific Checkpoints – Jointly by Representative Carolyn Dykema and Senator Joan Lovely –Seeks to eliminate the practice of road-side vehicle stops for specific motor vehicles - Joint Committee for Transportation

H.3313 – Motorcycle “Equal Access” Bill – Representative Shaunna O’Connell and Senator Anne Gobi – Seeks to remove and bar limitations for motorcycle on certain roadways, parking facilities, and similar locations - Joint Committee for Transportation

MODIFY

S.1833 – Motorcycle Safety Bill – Senator Anne Gobi (retract or consolidate) - Joint Committee for Transportation

S.1831 – Motorcycle Helmet Choice Bill – Senator Anne Gobi (retract or consolidate) – 21+ years old

H.3011* – An Act Relative to Motorcycle Safety – Representative Brad Hill and Senator Bruce Tarr – Seeks to change language changing “Motorcycle Safety Foundation” and “Motorcycle Safety Fund” to “Massachusetts Motorcycle Rider Education Program”. Joint Committee for Transportation – Clarify Motorcycle Safety Fund language

SUPPORT

H.2956 – An Act Relative to Antique Boats, Automobiles, and Motorcycles – Representative Thomas Calter–Seeks to clarify the definition, ownership, and operation of antique motorcycles and other vehicles - Joint Committee for Transportation

H.3087 – An Act to Authorize Firefighter Motorcycle License Plates – Representative Todd Smola – Seeks to authorize the issuance of firefighter license plates for motorcycles - Joint Committee for Transportation

H.2960 – An Act Providing a Legion of Merit License Plate – Representative James Cantwell –Seeks to authorize the issuance of “Legion of Merit” license plates for motorcycles - Joint Committee for Transportation

H.2996 – An Act to Motorcycle Inspections – Representative William Galvin –Seeks to lengthen the time allowed to obtain an inspection sticker from 7 days to 10 days - Joint Committee for Transportation

H.3092 – An Act Allowing Free of Charge Service Branch Designation License Plates for Disabled Veterans – Representative William Galvin –Seeks to provide free motorcycle license plates for disabled veterans - Joint Committee for Transportation

H.2988 - An Act relative to the elimination of an annual fee by veterans for distinctive license plates – Representative John Fernandes – Seeks to provide free license plates for veterans. Joint Committee for Transportation

SD2219 – An Act providing for distinctive registration plates for certain veterans who participated in the testing of atomic weapons – Senator Anne Gobi – Subject to Rule 12 determination.

OPPOSE

H.3073 – An Act to Protect Vulnerable Road Users (1) – Representative David Rogers – The MMA does not wish to see motorcyclists labeled as “vulnerable road users” – Seek amendment. Joint Committee for Transportation

S.1807 – An Act to Protect Vulnerable Road Users (1) – Senator William Brownsberger - – The MMA does not wish to see motorcyclists labeled as “vulnerable road users” – Seek amendment. Joint Committee for Transportation

S.1845 – An Act Relative to Motorcycle Noise (2) – Senator Thomas Kennedy - SAE J2825 Joint Committee for Transportation

H.3091 – An Act Relative to Motorcycle Noise (2) – Representative Theodore Spiliotis – SAE J2825 Joint Committee for Transportation

H.3741 – An Act Relative to Motorcycle Permit Requirements – Representative Ronald Mariano – Requires successful formal motorcycle rider training, 6 months driving experience (automobile), no prior drug and/or alcohol violations ever anywhere – Joint Committee for Transportation

MONITOR

H.3034 – Motorcycle Helmet Choice Bill – Representative Marc Lombardo – 18+ years old Joint Committee for Transportation

SD1961 – Motorcycle Helmet Choice Bill – Senator Brian Joyce – 18+ years old (by request) - Subject to Rule 12 determination.

S.1816 – An Act Relative to the Creation of a Vulnerable Road User Safety Commission – Senator Cynthia Creem – Joint Committee on Transportation

S.1810 - An Act to protect vulnerable road users by requiring certain vehicles to be equipped with side under-ride guards and blind spot mirrors – Senator William Brownsberger – Joint Committee on

Transportation

H.2953 – An Act Creating the Massachusetts Rail Transit Fund – Representative Antonio Cabral – Fee Hikes