

## **AB 2972 TALKING POINTS**

Here are a few talking points to submit to your representatives when asking them to support AB-2972:

- The states of Washington and Maryland have passed legislation - (S.B. 5242 in 2011) and (S.B. 233 in 2016) respectively specifically forbidding the profiling of motorcyclists
- California adopted Assembly Bill 1047 in 2012, specifically outlawing motorcycle-only checkpoints.
- Checkpoints are also restricted by state law or judicial action in: Alaska, Louisiana, Missouri, North Carolina, Virginia, Illinois, New Hampshire, Idaho, Iowa, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Oregon, Rhode Island, Texas, Washington, Wisconsin and Wyoming.
- Motorcyclist profiling is a pervasive problem in California. Motorcyclists are often targeted because of an overly-broad outlaw biker stereotype. The historical pattern of evidence is documented and irrefutable. Motorcyclists are regularly the victims of selective enforcement from coast to coast, particularly in California, even during political and charitable events based solely on their appearance, not their conduct.
- Motorcyclist profiling is unconstitutional; Profiling relies on appearance to establish suspicion as opposed to the legal requirement of conduct. A motorcyclist profiling stop amounts to a motorcyclist being detained, and sometimes cited, motorcycle seized, or both because of constitutionally protected freedom of expression and / or association. Sometimes a motorcyclist is detained and not cited or any form of action taken, the motorcyclist was detained for no other reason than their appearance.

The solution is to pass Assemlymember Anna Caballero's AB-2972. AB-2972 is a highly effective solution with no training or fiscal impact, and AB 2972 does not prevent law enforcement from doing their job.

ALL motorcyclists should contact their representatives immediately and ask them to pass this cost free common sense bill.