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Lobbyist's Legislative Report



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As we close the writing of this newsletter before St. Patrick's Day the Legislature/Capital Building is closed to the PUBLIC! The Senate and the Assembly were meeting over the weekend to discuss who/how the public will be allowed to enter the building. The California Senate has postponed all hearings while the Assembly Democrats were discussing best approach going forward late Sunday Night - Stay tuned!

Over 2500 new bills were introduced at the February 22nd deadline. We have reviewed all of them and so far NO SMOG for Motorcycles requirement was introduced, but there are over 500 SPOT bill placeholders that can be amended into anything and passed/signed into law with only 3 day notice aka a bill than can be gutted of its language and for example a Motorcycle Smog bill

inserted. We are watching these closely to see when they are amended!

We will continue to monitor and track all amendments and potential laws within the Capitol. The bills found are mostly off road bills and spots! One bill that we were successful in getting Governor Newsom to veto last year was the attempt by the environmental community to steal part of the Carnegie Off Road land and pay a pittance back to the off road fund - AB 2551 Bauer-Kahan and SB 1147 Glazer are being run again in similar fashion. We are working with the Rider Groups, Off Road Coalition Members and California Motorcycle Dealers Association to kill both these bills. Be ready to do the GREAT job again, as always, with your phone calls and emails when our Alert is sent out!

Another bill by Assemblyman Gallagher will require other states to grant reciprocity to our off road vehicles if we've paid for our green sticker registration in California - it will allow us to operate for free in their state off road parks and BRLM/Federal sites. This has been a mutual understanding for years but other states started charging our riders recently when we visit their state.

Stay tuned for further bills to be amended - we will issue you with alerts!

Thanks for your contributions to the Dedicated Lobbyist Fund!

To check who represents your area, and where their office is located, go to: <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/yourleg.html>

Want more details on a bill? <http://www.leginfo.legislature.ca.gov>

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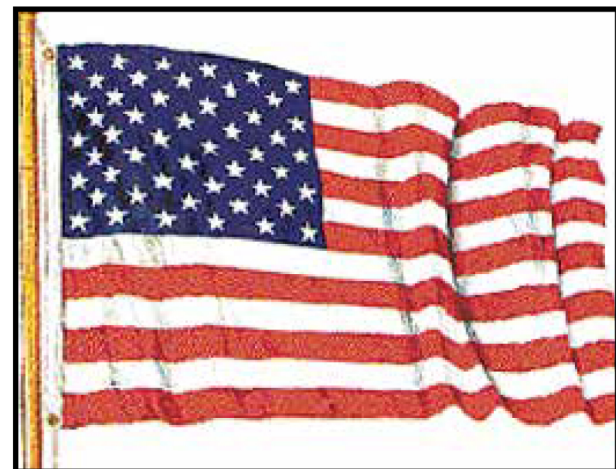


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