

ABATE REGION 19

September 7, 2021

Thanks to everyone who showed up in spite of the weather!

LEGISLATIVE REPORT – Hess wrote up a great Legislative report that he read and we discussed. The report mentioned the problems with SB1 and how HB4809 will fix these issues. PLEASE contact your house reps if you have not already!

Hess attended the Legislative Officers teleconference and got important updates which he shared with us. He and his wife put things in perspective by comparing the # of motorcyclists in Michigan (253,000) with the population of a number of significant cities around Michigan; if that many citizens were affected by an issue of the magnitude of SB1, there certainly would have been a major uproar! Something to think about when you contact your house rep.

Pete mentioned proposed legislation in Alabama that would require reflective stickers on everyone's helmet. He also mentioned that Butch Brown was inducted into the Motorcycle Hall of Fame in Sturgis. We discussed the MRF's accomplishments and what they have done for us on a federal level for the past 30 years.

Treasurer's report: Pete gave the report, which was approved.

Awareness: Motorcycle Awareness coaches are needed around the state. Bike fatalities are on the rise, so be careful out there!

The ABATE State Seminar is January 14 -17 in Saginaw; last day to book is Jan. 1. Sandi reported that as of today, they are only taking reservations for king-size beds

We will have a Fall Ride Saturday, Oct. 2, leaving from The Shark Club at 11 AM

Minutes by Vince P.