

I can pretty much say that I love motorcycles. How about you? Motorcycles and motorcycling is a huge part of my life and, dare I say, a large part of who I am. Motorcycles have taken me all over the USA to see impressive sights, introduced me to new cultures, and the opportunity to learn about others. I owe a lot to motorcycles. I love them enough to make a sacrifice if my freedom to ride is compromised/threatened.

What do you think will happen if motorcycles are suddenly outlawed?

Why would policymakers want to outlaw/ban motorcycles? Is it because they are dangerous machines? Dangerous machines that pollute the earth and cost thousands of lives daily? It is the effort of some to preserve the environment and save lives, and boot motorcycles not just off the road, but out of existence. In their place, autonomous vehicles. Heck, that part of the equation is already here!

Making things more interesting is that similar laws are in place in countries outside the USA. Can you say, "Right to Repair?" "Internal Combustion Engine?" "Emission Regulations." "Helmet Laws." "Exhaust Systems and Sound Testing," Such laws bring predictable results. Some fully appreciate and follow the new law, while others object to it, and some engage in protests, violence, and rioting. Ultimately, The Motorcycle Riders Foundation (MRF) faces these thorny issues. With the help of active lobbyists in Washington, D.C., and the grassroots lobbyists: YOU and ME, we watch it all. From the readily apparent actions and bills dropped, to those "not so much" evident. All in the name of Freedom of the Road.

I'm not writing a recipe for violence. Nor does the MRF. Frankly, I prefer no part in violence. What is clear, is that there remains a willingness inside me to make a sacrifice to protect my biker lifestyle. The sacrifice seems slight, yet oh so powerful... go face to face and toe to toe with those who write and promote anti-motorcycling policy.

The effects of internal combustion engines on the environment and the loss of life associated with vehicles powered by them isn't a small issue. On the other hand, policymakers and government taking control of what we ride (go ahead, define a motorcycle), and what we wear while riding, where we show up to ride, in my opinion, is potential abuse by those who don't ride. Also, not a small issue.

If you find any food for thought in this message, please JOIN or RENEW with the MRF,

TODAY... and support the agenda to help keep freedom alive, and bikes on the road. You owe it to yourself and those who ride!! mrf.org/join-the-mrf

Yours in freedom of the road, Jo Breneman, Assistant Washington State Rep to Kim Adair (We got Braggin Rights) text or dial: 509.539.7144 Happiest Holidays, my friends

Events to calendar and attend:

Black Friday (ABATE of WA) Capitol Columbia Room Olympia, WA January 30, 2026

Bikers Inside The Beltway 2026 (MRF) Washington, DC Embassy Suites Alexandria Old Town May 18 - 19, 2026

42nd Annual Meeting of the Minds (MRF) Milwaukee, Wisconsin Sheraton Milwaukee-Brookfield September 24 - 27, 2026

