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## OUR GOALS

To become a powerful and viable political force in legislative matters concerning the motorcyclist.

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To motivate the bikers to write letters to their legislators before, during, and after the legislative session.

To furnish our members with a newsletter to keep all bikers informed in regards to upcoming legislation.

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Chapter meetings.

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## Hello Everyone

Welcome to another great month in southwest Florida. Was reviewing some things from last month and discovered that MSF (Motorcycle Safety Foundation) has been established for 41 years and ABATE of Florida has been established for 39 years. What an accomplishment for both organizations. The last chapter meeting went well. We were able to fill most of the positions for the board. There are still a couple left. All in all the meeting was very good and I was very glad to have the support of our members. Thank you. The beach loop ride after the meeting was great. Thanks to everyone who went.

Hope to see everyone at our next chapter meeting.

Larry Peterson



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	<b>Tuesday</b>	Bike Nite 6PM - ? Live Music Colton James
	<b>Wednesday</b>	Dart Tournament 7:30PM
	<b>Thursday</b>	Pool Tournament 7:30PM Colton James 6PM - ?
	<b>Friday</b>	Live Entertainment 8PM - 12PM
	<b>Saturday</b>	Poker 7:30PM
	<b>Sunday</b>	Jam Session with Four Bones - All NFL Games

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**Estero River Chapter**

ABATE OF FLORIDA, INC.,  
ESTERO RIVER CHAPTER  
CHAPTER MEETING

Date: 07/21/2013 Called to Order at: 10:10 a.m. Location: San Carlos Country Club

**President:** Larry Peterson  
Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.  
Thanks to the Country Club for hosting Chapter Meeting  
Welcome to guests and New Members

**Vice President:** Kirk Richards  
Introduced the board

**Secretary:** Leona Rendziniak  
Motion to accept minutes  
1<sup>st</sup> Ed Baker 2<sup>nd</sup> Pam Cooke

**Treasurer:** Lynn Dillard  
Motion to accept minutes  
1<sup>st</sup> Kymn Rimes 2<sup>nd</sup> Leona Rendziniak  
report available upon request

**Sgt @ Arms:** Stan Rendziniak  
all good

**Asst. Sgt @ Arms:** open

**Quartermaster:** Dave Rimes  
Quartered and Mastered

**PR Communications:** Kirk Richards  
Working on Throttleween and Pilgrim's Pride

**Legislative:** open  
Texting bill passed, **A whole \$30 fine** and it's a secondary Offense  
Working on motorcycle only checkpoints

**State Delegates:** Larry Peterson  
Ad in Full Throttle Magazine, 501 C-3 company will benefit the whole organization. Voted for pursuing those endeavors.

**Safety Director:** open

**Advertising:** open

**Products:** open

**Newsletter Editor:** open  
Working on a Colored print

**Membership:** open  
We have 151 members at this time. Would Really like to see a lot more soon.

**Webmaster:** open

Waiting on password from Lockdown, (at State level)

**Special Events:** Kynm Rimes

Planning in progress for Throttleween and Pilgram's Pride

**Historian:** Kynm Rimes

new pictures of the State Seminar Ride

**Sunshine Lady:** Kymn Rimes

Looking for Jackie Strout. Friend of TA. Card sent but returned

Card sent To Diana of Mulluck Creek Marina

Ted Edwards of YAGARDS FARMS Band

**Old business:**

New Board In Place

No More Storage Unit Dues

**New business:**

State Raffle Tickets are available

**Good of the Order**

Kirk Asked Members to fill some very important positions that were still vacant from the elections last month.

**Positions filled**

Asst Sgt At Arms, Danny Owens and Sandy Lawton

Legislative, Pam Cooke

PR, Craig Swiger

Newsletter, Mike Sabo

Ast Quarter Mstr, Jim Finnigan

Delegates, Dave Rimes and Lynn Dillard

Advertising, Jill Phillips

Special Events, Pam Cooke

Followed By a ride to the Beach

50/50 – Hugh, \$15 and donated \$10 Back to the Chapter

Next State Meeting is in Sarasota August 10<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm

Next Board Meeting: August 16 @ Lynn's house 7pm

Next Chapter meeting: August 18 @San Carlos Country Club

Motion to adjourn: 1st: Donny Plowman 2nd: Craig Swiger @ 10:53

Submitted by: Leona Rendiziak

# LEGISLATIVE REPORT

LEGISLATIVE REPORT-JULY 2013

EFFECTIVE 7/1/2013

**SB 52-Use of Wireless Communications Devices While Driving:** The bill provides for secondary enforcement of a ban on texting-while-driving. A driver must first be pulled over for a violation of another traffic law before that driver may be cited for violating the ban. Exceptions to the ban are provided: For example, a driver may still text while the vehicle is stationary, when reporting an emergency or criminal or suspicious activity to law enforcement, when using a device or system for navigation purposes, and when receiving safety-related information-among other exceptions.

A first violation of the texting-while-driving ban is a noncriminal, nonmoving traffic violation and carries a \$30 fine, plus court costs, which vary by county. A driver faces graduated penalties for a second or subsequent violation committed within 5 years, or when his or her violation results in a crash or is committed within a school safety zone.

FROM THE "NEWS PRESS"

**Lee County could lose \$134M:** The Lee County commission faces more than \$134 million in legal liabilities, primarily stemming from land disputes, eminent domain and zoning cases. Lee's budget deficit for the fiscal year that starts Oct. 1 stands at about \$32.8 million. **Commissioners will set property tax rates for the upcoming year when they return from recess July 30.**

Of the \$134 million in estimated liabilities, 97 percent or \$130.3 million stems from land cases: mostly efforts to acquire land for public projects or zoning decisions. Underlying Lee's largest legal liability at \$61 million is the commission's decision to cut development rights on Pine Island. Pending lawsuits make up about \$20 million of that figure, while the county attorney's office estimates another \$41 million could be claimed by impacted property owners.

*Taxpayers are on the hook for \$6 million after commissioners in 2008 sided with Estero residents who opposed plans to build a Home Depot, shopping center and residences on 48 acres at Corkscrew Road and Three Oaks Parkway. Although the developer, Estero Place LLC, won approval from Lee County planners, Estero residents feared traffic congestion and the potential for the project to change the area's character. Another \$8.21 million could be lost in a court fight with Buckingham Villages.*

Lee set aside about \$3.5 million next year to pay for worker's compensation, personal injury and other claims, Lee County Risk Manager Mike Figueroa said. Last year, Lee budgeted about \$3.7 million. The set-aside amount is based on Lee's historic propensity to rack up liabilities, Figueroa said.

Desjarlais, who recently was appointed county manager, said he'll be examining Lee's legal fights as reserve funds are set to hit critical lows in about 14 months-just enough dollars to pay Lee's bills through the first few months of the fiscal year before property taxes start rolling in.

Seems everyone has budget issues these days!

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A House subcommittee will look into the state's controversial "stand your ground" law, but its chairman said he doesn't intend to support any changes.

House Speaker Will Weatherford, R-Wesley Chapel, has directed Criminal Justice Subcommittee Chairman Matt Gaetz, R-Fort Walton Beach, to hold a hearing on the law during a committee week this fall.

"Our evaluation of its effectiveness should be guided by objective information, not by political expediency," Weatherford wrote in an opinion piece published Friday in The Tampa Tribune. "Does the law keep the innocent safer? Is it being applied fairly? Are there ways we can make this law clearer and more understandable?"

Gaetz said the hearing will provide a platform for anyone to comment on the law, and members of the subcommittee can offer proposals about the self-defense measure.

Just don't expect him to back any proposed change.

"I don't intend to move one damn comma on the 'stand your ground' law," Gaetz said. "I'm fully supportive of the law as it's written. I think any aberrational circumstances that have resulted are due to errors at the trial court level."

House Minority Leader Perry Thurston, a Fort Lauderdale Democrat who on Thursday formally requested a special session on the state's self-defense laws, would still like a broader review of Florida's criminal-justice laws and policies.

"He's concerned about the size and make-up of juries, especially in felony jury cases, and he would like a legislative review of criminal-justice policies beyond 'stand your ground,'" said Mark Hollis, a spokesman for House Democrats.

The prospect of a hearing also hasn't placated the Dream Defenders, a group that has staged a sit-in outside Gov. Rick Scott's Capitol office to demand a special legislative session to consider changes to the state's self-defense laws, initiatives to stop racial profiling and an end to zero-tolerance discipline policies in schools.

"Ultimately you're still ignoring the root of the issue, at least in terms of the Zimmerman verdict, and that is the criminalization of our youth, the way that young people are looked at in Florida, black, white and brown, and that's due to the school-to-prison pipeline and racial profiling that's perpetuated throughout law enforcement," Dream Defenders Political Director Ciara Taylor said.

The protesters were spurred to action by the July 13 acquittal of George Zimmerman in the 2012 shooting of teen Trayvon Martin. The law was not used as part of Zimmerman's defense, but has become associated with the incident.

Weatherford wrote that he requested the hearing because of the "diverse" comments state representatives are receiving about the law.

He had told the Tribune's editorial board on Tuesday that he is willing to consider changes to the 2005 law if law enforcement clearly outlines that any changes are needed.

Gaetz said the format and schedule for the hearing have yet to be set, and he is working on the process with Rep. Kionne McGhee, a Miami Democrat who has served on the subcommittee.

"We'll work out a process to have people come forward and offer testimony he (McGhee) believes will flavor the issue," Gaetz said.

Weatherford's opinion piece comes as the protesters are in their third week in the Capitol and have undertaken their own "people's session" in the lobby of Scott's office, intending to create a report they can give to lawmakers.

"I was not in the Florida Legislature when the ("stand your ground") bill became law with bipartisan support, but as the current speaker of the House, I have been asked to repeal it," Weatherford wrote. "Asked" is a generous term considering the threats of boycotts, union-sponsored protesters overtaking the governor's office and Hollywood elites disparaging our state and threatening the livelihood of hard-working Floridians."

Scott and Senate President Don Gaetz, R-Niceville, the House subcommittee chairman's father, have both maintained their support for the law and have expressed no interest in calling a special session to review it.

Weatherford wrote that he supports the law, stating that it's critical Floridians be allowed to defend themselves.

"Demands for a special session to repeal the law disregard the very foundation of our representative democracy by presuming that a law passed by the majority of a constitutional body should be reversed by the objections of a few," Weatherford wrote.

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## August Activities

### EVENTS:

### BIKE NIGHTS:

@Rhodes Every Thursday night 6 pm - 9 pm

### MEETINGS:

- \*THE 10th– State Delegates Meeting in Sarasota. 2:00 pm
- \*THE 16th - Board Meeting at Lynn Dillard’s house. 7:00 pm
- \*THE 18th - Chapter Meeting at San Carlos Country Club. 10:00 am

# SEPTEMBER 2013

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## September Activities

### EVENTS:

### BIKE NIGHTS:

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### MEETINGS:

\*THE 13th - Board Meeting at TBA 7:00 pm

\*THE 15th - Chapter Meeting at San Carlos Country Club 10:00 am

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**THURSTON FORMALLY CALLS FOR SPECIAL SESSION**

The top Democratic lawmaker in the House formally requested a special session to review the state's self-defense laws, the first step in a complicated process that could lead to lawmakers gathering to consider the issue. House Minority Leader Perry Thurston, D-Fort Lauderdale, sent a letter to Secretary of State Ken Detzner on Thursday asking for a special session to address the state's controversial "stand your ground" law. "I make this request for a special session based on my belief that there is demonstrable confusion within and among police departments, prosecuting offices and the courts about the application of the law," Thurston wrote. "As presently crafted, the statutes have not simply helped law-abiding citizens protect themselves from attack, but rather they have been used as cover for perpetrators of crimes." Even if other Democrats follow Thurston's lead, getting a special session called would appear to be an uphill battle. If 32 lawmakers ask for a session, Detzner is required to poll the Legislature and find out if there's support for the idea. But a three-fifths majority would be needed to actually call the session -- something that seems unlikely given that both the House and Senate are controlled by Republicans, who have generally been supportive of the self-defense law. Meanwhile, a sit-in at Gov. Rick Scott's office trying to force him to call a special session on the law marked its 17th day on Thursday. The protesters are also demanding new policies on school discipline and racial profiling. Scott has insisted he will not call lawmakers back to Tallahassee to address "stand your ground."

Darrin "Scribe" Brooks,  
State Legislative Trustee,  
ABATE of Florida, Inc.  
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Hello Everyone,

I have waited until most of the Chapters have submitted their officer updates so that I could add them to the think tank. I also did not get a very good response to my invitations at the State Delegates meeting. So we will plunge ahead with just us, hopefully more will want to join us. PLEASE take the next opportunity to pass invitation to the Think Tank at your next Chapter meeting.

I would like to discuss our upcoming legislative session and what direction we would like to pursue. I will risk assuming that the membership would like to try again with the "stiffer penalties" Bill of some sort. Satch at Gulf Coast Chapter has proposed a different angle that I would like your views on. I have attached it to this email for you to consider.

As I have discussed before, If we move into the 501(c)(3) classification, the 501(c)(3) will no longer be able to directly promote any legislation. Therefore, we will no longer refer to any Bills as "Our Bill". The 501(c)(3), will aggressively **educate** the legislators about specific Bills that promote motorcycle safety and awareness. In other words, we will no longer say to a legislator "Please support our Bill #456, it helps to.....". Instead, we will be saying "Senator Evers Bill #456 helps to support and educate the general public about motorcycle safety and awareness."

If the membership does decide to move ahead with the 501(c)(3), we **could** (emphasis on **could**) also start a separate Political Action Committee (PAC). This PAC would be able to aggressively support or oppose any legislation AND will be able to donate money to the campaigns of pro-motorcycle candidates. **AGAIN..** this is something that **COULD** be in the future if it is something the membership would like to do **AND** if it is at all possible and constructive to ABATE of Florida, Inc. AT THIS TIME we are not moving in that direction, it is purely for our decision... **So please do not tell people that ABATE is starting a PAC and that we can give money to candidates..**

The purpose of the Think Tank is to bounce ideas off of each other, any and all ideas are worthy of consideration. I want this group to think outside the box and spit ball any ideas and thoughts that you have. Just like in the State Legislative Session where hundreds of Bills are proposed, some crazier than others, they are not made Law until signed by the Governor. The same goes for the Think Tank, we will have many ideas, but they will not be made official until the State Delegates approve them. And many of our ideas will not make it out of the Think Tank.

I thank you for your time, This first email is longer than most will be. When you respond, please use the "respond to all" button so that everyone in the group can participate. I promise that ALL of my Think Tank emails will be sent to all of you.

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**Membership: Larry Peterson – [larry8251@hotmail.com](mailto:larry8251@hotmail.com)**

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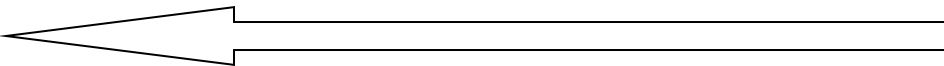
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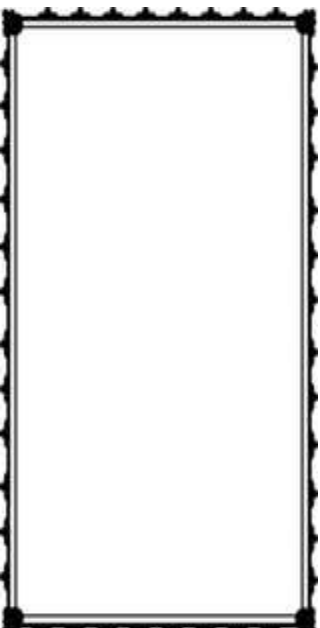
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