

PREAMBLE

The letters A.B.A.T.E. stand for A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments. A.B.A.T.E. is an organization of motorcycle enthusiasts, individuals and clubs, who are pooling their strength in numbers and votes to have a say in their government about the laws pertaining to them. It is the general consensus that motorcyclists, per se, are a minority group and, as such, have come under undue prejudices, through lack of adequate representation in our government's legislative bodies, through public stereotypes depicted in the movies and articles, through the general public's lack of knowledge and understanding of motorcyclists and motorcycling, and through individuals with power and/or influence apparently intent on extremely limiting if not altogether banning motorcyclist's freedom of mode of travel on and off the public highways.

DECLARATION

A.B.A.T.E. is a non-profit, educational-orientated organization whose membership is comprised of people interested in preserving the freedom of individual pursuing of motorcycling. A.B.A.T.E. is Dedicated to Freedom of the Road.

PURPOSES

It is the primary purpose of this organization to keep its membership informed of what the legislative representatives are doing and to keep their representatives informed as to our membership's wishes. Our aims are towards education and preservation of the needs of motorcyclists, to create a better image and understanding of motorcycling to the general public, and to legally remove from power or authority people who are prejudiced against motorcyclists or intent on restricting our Freedom of the Road.

AIMS

A.B.A.T.E. aims shall be carried out through as many A.B.A.T.E. chapters as are necessary to accomplish its goals. It is not the intent of this chapter to be restrictive, but rather to be informative and set necessary guidelines, lest the concept and understanding of A.B.A.T.E. be strayed or misunderstood. This charter is drawn up as a descriptive and explanatory guideline for any A.B.A.T.E. chapter's use which is recognized by A.B.A.T.E. of Washington or which is a chapter of A.B.A.T.E. of Washington.

STRUCTURAL BELIEF

The unity and brotherhood of these individual A.B.A.T.E. chapters in Washington state provide a common bond that allows each of these individual chapters to independently work together to accomplish the same goals. These individually united chapters are referred to collectively as "A.B.A.T.E. of Washington", and are recognized as such as independently work together as such. A.B.A.T.E. of Washington is one state out of several specific states in the United States that comprises A.B.A.T.E. The A.B.A.T.E. organization in these states declaring themselves to be a part of Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments are recognized by A.B.A.T.E. of

Washington as such. The unity and brotherhood of these individual state organizations provide a common bond that allows each of these individual chapters to independently work together to accomplish the same goals.

ARTICLES

The policies of A.B.A.T.E. of Washington shall be determined by a majority vote of the Board of Directors of A.B.A.T.E. of Washington.

Ratified January 19, 1980

Approved By _____ Date: _____
State Coordinator A.B.A.T.E. of Washington