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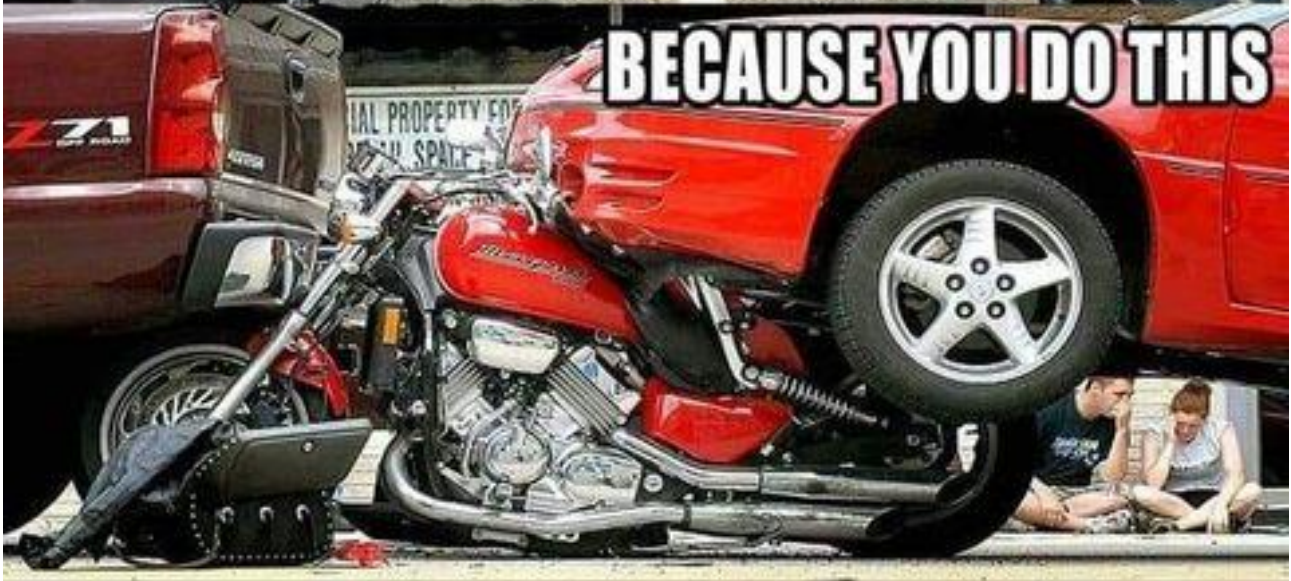


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U.S. HOUSE JOINS SENATE IN OPPOSING MOTORCYCLIST PROFILING

On December 23, 2022, in one of the last actions of the 117th Congress before adjourning, the U.S. House of Representatives approved H. Res.366; "Promoting awareness of motorcyclist profiling and encouraging collaboration and communication with the motorcycle community and law enforcement officials to prevent instances of profiling."

The House now joins with the U.S. Senate in passing separate resolutions opposing the discretionary profiling of motorcyclists by law enforcement, defining it as; "motorcyclist profiling means the illegal use of the fact that a person rides a motorcycle or wears motorcycle-related apparel as a factor in deciding to stop and question, take enforcement action, arrest, or search a person or vehicle with or without legal basis under the Constitution of the United States."

Sponsored by Rep. Tim Walberg (R-MI), House Resolution 366 garnered 103 bipartisan cosponsors, and is similar to Senate Resolution 154 passed by the U.S. Senate in 2018 which likewise urges state law enforcement officials to condemn the discriminatory policy.

Accordingly, H.Res.366 states;

"Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the House of Representatives –

- (1) promotes increased public awareness on the issue of motorcyclist profiling;
- (2) encourages collaboration and communication with the motorcyclist community and law enforcement to engage in efforts to end motorcyclist profiling; and
- (3) urges State law enforcement officials to include statements condemning motorcyclist profiling in written policies and training materials."

Meanwhile, in addition to the federal efforts to prevent anti-biker profiling, the five states of Washington (2011), Maryland (2016), Louisiana (2019), Idaho (2020) and most recently New Hampshire (2022) have all enacted laws at the state level to curb profiling.

NHTSA CHALLENGED ON ANTI-MOTORCYCLIST PROFILING

On December 20, 2022, the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives agreed to a \$1.7 trillion omnibus spending measure that will fund the federal government through September, avoiding a government shutdown, but attached within the funding section for the Department of Transportation is language from House Report 117-402 inserted at the request of Rep. Susie Lee (R-NV) that questions the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) about their role in the promulgation of anti-motorcyclist profiling;

"The Committee is concerned that National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) may be conducting activities that encourage states to adopt legislation, regulation, or other policies that unjustly profile motorcycle riders. The Committee directs NHTSA to report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on the extent to which the agency works with states on motorcycle passenger policies within 120 days of enactment of this Act."

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YAMAHA PLEDGES 10 MILLION YEN TO TURKEY-SYRIA EARTHQUAKE RELIEF

Yamaha Motor Co. is putting aside 10 million yen to be used to support the victims of the February 6 Turkey-Syria earthquake and their ongoing recovery efforts.

Notably, 2021 Superbike World Champion, Toprak Razgatlioglu, and his manager, former five-time Supersport World Champion, Kenan Sofuoglu, had been involved in early response work in their native Turkey until forced to leave in order to be in Australia for the first round of the 2023 Superbike World Championships, in which Razgatlioglu will be looking to reclaim his title.

The bike manufacturer for which Razgatlioglu rides, Yamaha, announced on February 17th that the Japanese motorcycle-maker will donate 10 million yen (@\$74,000USD) through the non-profit organization Japan Platform and that "the funds will be used explicitly to support relief and reconstruction efforts in affected areas of Turkey and Syria."

Along with the more than 46,000 killed in the 7.4-Magnitude quake, 84,000 buildings have collapsed or are seriously damaged, yet within the rubble survivors were still being found.

HONDA SHOOTS FOR THE MOON

Honda Motor Co. is developing a circulative renewable energy system which is hoped to help sustain scientists as they live on the lunar surface. The system, called the Circulative Renewable Energy System, uses electrolysis and solar energy to produce oxygen, hydrogen, and electricity.

While their mission announcement doesn't specifically mention 'motorcycles,' Honda hopes that their CRES system will maintain lunar vehicles so that scientists can properly explore the moon's surface; a hostile environment which may take more nimble vehicles to traverse.

Plus, with hydrogen power being looked at as a possible replacement for fossil fuels, it could help to accelerate Honda's plans back here on our home planet, as the Honda Global website explains: "Honda will pursue research and development of its circulative renewable energy system with the initial goal to utilize it in outer space, then feed technologies amassed through this challenge back to Earth and strive to realize the company's 2050 carbon neutrality goals."

EUROPEAN UNION PROPOSES DIGITAL DRIVING LICENSES

Among a number of proposals intended to shake-up the current licensing regulations on the continent, a new directive that will affect all who drive seeks the digitization of the driving license within the EU.

The move would put a driving license or at least a facsimile of it on the holder's smartphone. The digital license would work in the same way as the physical license and would be valid at police checks and for identification validation. It's also reported that the physical license will combine a QR code on it, something that is hoped will prevent counterfeiting. For now, the licensure proposals in the 4th Driver's License Directive would only affect EU countries, although the UK government can and has aligned with the EU on certain matters.

SKILLS CRISIS OVER LACK OF YOUNG PEOPLE WORKING IN MOTORCYCLING

The motorcycle industry is in desperate need of more young people to work as technicians or in dealerships if it wants to survive for future generations, warn UK industry bosses. "The challenges we face in attracting young people to work in the sector are the same we face in attracting new and young riders," CEO of England's Motorcycle Industry Association (MCIA) Tony Campbell warns. "Over the past two decades, we have been great at servicing an ageing rider community; this in large part is mirrored by our workforce."

"As with attracting new young riders, as a sector we have to be seen to be at the cutting edge of new technology, innovation, and design. In my view, we have an identity problem when it comes to attracting young talent to the industry," he continued, adding that "There is and will continue to be a shortage of skilled resources."

Campbell's comments were echoed by Head of Operations at the National Franchised Dealers Association (NFDA), Symon Cook, who spoke to MCN.com about what could happen if nothing changes; "It's going to fail and it's going to disappear and that's certainly not what any of us want. We need action and we need it now," he said. "We're behind the times and within the next two years we need to really accelerate our idea of how we recruit and how we drive an interest into the motorcycle industry. "Keen to get more young people involved in the industry, the MCIA teamed up with recruitment firm Bike Jobs and the National Motorcycle Dealers Association (NMDA) to create a Careers Hub stand at the Motorcycle Live show in Birmingham. Of the 150 enquiries registered at the event, 78.5% were male and 21.5% were female -- with 78% of all respondents being aged between 13 and 30. The largest of these groups was 17-20, who made up 28%.

SAVE THE DATE - 2023 NCOM CONVENTION IN PHOENIX

Next year's 38th annual NCOM Convention is now scheduled for Father's Day weekend, June 16-18, 2023, in Phoenix, Arizona, so plan ahead to join with hundreds of like-minded bikers' rights activists from across the country for a weekend of learning, sharing and camaraderie!

MOTORCYCLE HELMET MARKET EXPECTED TO GROW SUBSTANTIALLY

The Global Motorcycle Helmet Market is expected to witness sustainable growth over 2031, reports Global Insight Services, noting that helmets are required by law in many countries.

The intelligence firm offers an analysis of key issues and market drivers, such as a trend towards lighter and more comfortable helmets thanks to advances in materials and manufacturing techniques.

Their 10-year forecast also references trends towards helmets with better aerodynamics, more integrated communications systems, and more advanced safety features.

Among the several key drivers of the worldwide motorcycle helmet market, GIS points out that the number of motorcycle riders has increased significantly in recent years, which has led to increased demand for helmets.

Also, quite notably, the price of helmets has fallen, making them more affordable for riders, while their research claims that the documented safety benefits and the availability of helmets in a variety of styles and designs has made them more appealing to riders.

CONNECTICUT LEGISLATION COULD INVOKE DONOR-CYCLISTS

Although Connecticut state law only requires riders under 18 to wear a helmet, a new legislative proposal would dictate that any motorcyclist killed while not wearing one would automatically become an organ donor.

In a shocking new bill published under the Connecticut General Assembly's website, if passed, riders who do not wear a motorcycle helmet will no longer have autonomy over their organs if they lose their life in an accident, ignoring the gift law principles of the Uniform Anatomical Gift Act which requires an affirmative voluntary act.

State Senator Martin M. Looney of the 11th District introduced Senate Bill No. 96 on January 12, 2023; "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A REBUTTABLE PRESUMPTION THAT PERSONS KILLED IN A MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENT WHILE RIDING WITHOUT A HELMET WISH TO DONATE THEIR ORGANS."

In the meantime, concerned bikers such as the Connecticut Motorcycle Riders Association (CMRA) are also fighting against House Bill 5917, a legislative measure that would require the use of helmets by all motorcycle riders, as well as improve the use of automated enforcement systems, and strengthen existing law prohibiting open containers in vehicles.

RIDER SAVED BY SMARTWATCH AFTER FALL FROM CLIFF ON HIS MOTORCYCLE

After riding his motorcycle off the side of a cliff, a man was rescued thanks to the distress communication sent out by his smartwatch. The incident occurred in southwestern Utah, and saw the rider fall between 40 and 50 feet, sustaining serious injuries, The Hill reports.

First responders were able to find and stabilize the man for Life Flight transport to the hospital thanks to the rescue alert system on his smartwatch which is designed to detect major crashes and sends out a distress signal when the wearer is unable to respond to it themselves.

The brand and model of the man's smartwatch unknown, but many of the latest versions of such devices are programmed to detect a serious crash, the most well-known being the Apple Watch which has its 'Crash Detection' feature, as does the most recent iPhone.

JAY LENO SUFFERS SERIOUS MOTORCYCLE CRASH

Comedian and petrol head Jay Leno, well-known for his extensive classic car and motorcycle collection, is recovering from multiple broken bones after crashing in Burbank, California from a 'clothesline' incident with a wire strung across a parking lot while test riding a 1940 Indian motorcycle near his shop.

The unfortunate mishap occurred just months after the talk show legend sustained second-degree burns while repairing a fuel line on one of his antique cars last November.

His accident left Leno with a broken collarbone, broken ribs, two cracked kneecaps and presumably a hefty repair bill for the bike!

Despite the spate of bad luck, Leno joked; "I'm only 72, if I were to have been an older man, this would have been very serious."



MRF State Rep Report

“Earlier this week, our country voted for new leadership. I am committed to heeding our constituents' concerns and getting our nation back on track, starting with the operations and management of the House of Representatives itself. As such, beginning on January 3, 2023, the People's House must once again be open to the American public.”

– Kevin McCarthy

The elections are finally over. They can start picking up the yard signs and putting them away until next election cycle (which will start up again sooner than you think). There will be some new faces in office, both in Washington DC and here at home in Tennessee. There are also a lot of familiar names returning to office.

Do you know who your federal and state senators and representatives are? Do you know their positions on the issues that affect motorcyclists? And more importantly, do they know YOUR opinions on those issues?

We all want our representatives to support our desired legislation, but they cannot do that if they do not understand what issues are important to you.

This is a good time to introduce yourself to the new faces, as well as to re-acquaint yourself with the ones that have been there for a while. As they settle into a new office and the beginning of a new legislative session, they may be looking for resources that they can rely on in the future. If they know that you are their local “expert” on things related to motorcycling, they may be more receptive to your thoughts and opinions on motorcycle-related legislation when it comes up.

A discussion with your representative can be beneficial even if you find that they will not support our positions, especially if they can explain why they feel the way they do. Our future discussions to convince them to support our legislation may be quite a bit different if they are concerned about any potential cost to TennCare from un-helmeted riders than if they won't support helmet choice because someone close to them may have died in a motorcycle wreck. As Kevin McCarthy notes in the quote above, your representatives should be “committed to heeding our constituents' concerns”. Make sure your representatives know what your concerns are. That is one of the most critical steps in ensuring your right to...

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Connect to the General Assembly to show your support on

HB 0042 BY *REEDY, SB 1450 BY *ROBERTS

This bill establishes a four-year pilot program to make the wearing of a crash helmet voluntary for drivers and passengers of motorcycles, motorized bicycles, or motor-driven cycles who are 21 years of age or older beginning the first week in September and ending the last week of May of each year of the program. A driver or passenger will still be required to wear a crash helmet during the pilot program.

HB 1454 BY *FAISON, SB 0298 BY *GARDENHIRE

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54 and Title 55, relative to operation of motorcycles on public highways.

Traffic Safety - As introduced, authorizes two-wheeled motorcycles to be operated between rows of stopped or moving vehicles in the same lane on certain limited access highways and interstate highways when the speed of traffic is 25 miles per hour or less.

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The helmet law modification Bill. The Bill is on the calendar to be heard on House Transportation Subcommittee on Wednesday 01, March 2023. What time? That is unknown until it can be estimated on that day.

The House Sponsor is Representative Jay Reedy, and the Senate sponsor is Senator Kerry Roberts.

<https://wapp.capitol.tn.gov/apps/BillInfo/Default.aspx...>

Also, in House Transportation Subcommittee for Wednesday 01, March 2023. "Driver Licenses - As introduced, authorizes a minor issued a motorcycle learner's permit to operate a motorcycle without limitations on the distance from the minor's home if the minor is accompanied by, and under the direct supervision of, a parent or legal guardian who is also operating a motorcycle and who holds a valid motorcycle operator's license. - Amends TCA Title 55, Chapter 50 and Title 55, Chapter 51."

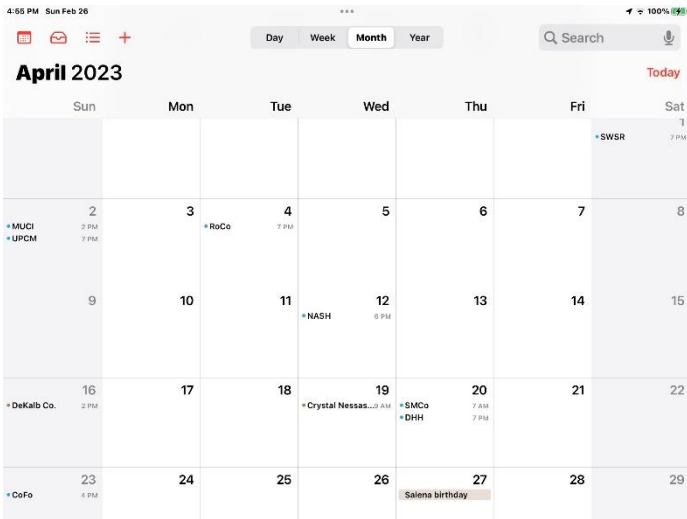
The House Sponsor is Representative Mary Littleton and the Senate sponsor is Senator Kerry Roberts.

To make a change, we must all do our part including Connect to the General Assembly. Everyone's needs to speak their opinion to their own Representative and Senators. They must here from their own Constituents. It only takes a couple of minutes to do, refer to the bill number when speaking and ask for their support as a co-sponsor. This is the only way to make changes in the Law.

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The Wonderful World of California Lanesplitting

It's the only way to get around Los Angeles



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I lived near Boston, Massachusetts for most of my life. The traffic is bad, and the drivers are worse. When you're stuck in traffic on a motorcycle, it's all too tempting to make your own lane between the official traffic lanes, but it's highly illegal. A more immediate concern is aggressive Boston drivers blocking your way or running you off the road for even trying. While drivers in the rest of the US aren't generally as bad, lanesplitting remains illegal in all but one state.

That state is California, where I've spent a bit of time in recent years. The rules are different there. Splitting lanes when traffic slows down is not only allowed, but also encouraged. After being "not illegal" and common practice for many years, it was made explicitly legal in 2016. Even the California Highway Patrol says so. Other states have tried to pass lane filtering laws since then, with limited success. But filtering only lets you make your way to the front of the line through stopped traffic, usually at a red light. It's not the free-for-all that California allows. CHP has defined guidelines for lanesplitting (keep it under 40 mph, don't go more than 10 mph faster than traffic), but as guidelines rather than laws, they're not strictly enforced. One law that is enforced is that it's illegal for drivers to impede a lanesplitting motorcycle.

Why Is Lanesplitting Legal in California?

The big question that comes to mind, mainly for drivers, is "but why?" The main reason is to ease traffic congestion. The benefits to motorcyclists are obvious. During my visits to LA, I can take the time Google Maps estimates it will take me to reach my destination, then cut it in half for my actual travel time. But this doesn't just help motorcycles, either. "As motorcycles are moving through, splitting the lanes, that's one less vehicle occupying that lane," CHP Motorcycle Officer Brian O'Toole told KTLA. "It's saving the average motorist in a car time. If we were to all of a sudden not allow lane splitting anymore, that's a motorcycle sitting in the lane ahead of them." More stopped vehicles means even worse traffic than already exists. I've been told that another reason for its legality is to train drivers to expect this behavior so that police motorcycles can get

through traffic more quickly and safely. Consider Ponch and Jon weaving their way up to yet another 20-car pileup with a disco soundtrack on every episode of CHiPs. If drivers already let all motorcycles by, Ponch and Jon will have no problem getting to the scene quickly despite traffic. Although it makes sense, I haven't been able to confirm that this reason is actually true. Flashing lights and sirens should already warn everyone to get out of the way.

One benefit of lane splitting that's easy to confirm is our safety. There is absolutely no risk of us being hit from behind by inattentive traffic if we're moving faster than traffic between the lanes. That eliminates the possibility of getting sandwiched between two cars, a potentially fatal crash.

How Does It Work in the Real World?

As an east coast native, I was simultaneously excited and apprehensive about lane splitting in California. Since it's illegal everywhere I've lived, I hadn't done it before (no, really, I'm not just saying that). It takes a fair bit of concentration, and you have to have your head on a swivel to watch traffic. The accepted practice is to split between the far left lane and the lane to the right of it (the number one and two lanes, as CHP calls them). You can legally split anywhere you want, but this is where drivers will be expecting to see you, so it's safer to go with the flow. In fact, many drivers will move over within their lane to give you some extra space to get by. Other times they'll leave a gap to the car ahead of them that you can use to slalom between cars.



Not everyone will work with you to get through traffic. While I can't prove that I've been intentionally blocked, there have certainly been some vehicles that have prevented me from getting by. Usually these are big trucks that are too wide to give me room, and I don't blame them. Occasionally a car or pickup truck will pace the car next to them, and not leave enough space to squeeze through. Loud pipes don't save lives, but my friend Carolyn has a louder exhaust on her Harley-Davidson Sportster specifically so that cars will hear her coming as she splits her way to work. If someone doesn't let you by, often a quick brap of the throttle will help. My KLR and V-Strom 650 have stock exhausts, so I don't have this advantage. I'll let my friend on the Harley go first.

Lane splitting isn't just for the freeways, either. Most surface streets in the LA area have multiple lanes, and you can practice what some states call "lane filtering." States like Utah, Montana, and Arizona don't allow highway lane splitting like California, but they do permit motorcycles to slowly pass stopped cars between lanes, typically leading up to a red light. This also works well in California. It provides the same safety benefit of preventing the risk of getting hit from behind. While you can't run a red light, you can get a jump on the pack of cars that stopped for it. This keeps you out of slower traffic and improves visibility ahead of you without all those cars in the way.

Why Isn't Lane Splitting Legal Everywhere?

The truth is, it is legal in most of the world. The United States and Canada are two of the few countries that have laws prohibiting it. By not allowing lane splitting, we're actually the exception, not the rule.

As big a fan as I am of legal lane splitting, I don't think it would work if, miraculously, a federal law was passed making it legal everywhere. Many drivers think it's extremely dangerous and should be banned. Others believe that if they have to wait in traffic, we should as well, regardless of the evidence that lane splitting eases congestion for everyone.

Most importantly, I don't think it will be safe unless drivers actively acknowledge and cooperate with the practice. Even if cities like Boston or New York legalized lane splitting today, the attitudes of drivers wouldn't change overnight. They'd be just as opposed to it as they are now. They would probably still put us in danger trying to block us from splitting, legally or otherwise. People who I otherwise consider friends have flat out told me that's what they'd do.

My crystal ball sees only incremental progress. Utah, Montana, and Arizona somewhat allow it. Virginia is considering it, while Oregon vetoed it. It looks like the wonderful world of California lane splitting will remain isolated to California for the foreseeable future. It works so well there, though.

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Robertson County, Our meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of each month at The Piggy Pit in Springfield at 7:00pm. Roland thanked everyone for coming. Welcome to our guest Glenn, and our newest member Ginny Ewen. We talked about STR and working on getting flyers made up early, so we can get them out sooner to spread the news. There will be a swap meet in Clarksville on Sunday Feb. 26th . There will also be a swap meet in Gallatin at Elks Club at Twin Creek on April 15th. Everyone stay healthy and safe, and see you soon. Thanks!
Connie

Upper Cumberland, Our charter meeting had 4 people in attendance and 2 officers. I couldn't make the meeting as I was still under the weather. The bar was closed so they just sat in the parking lot and talked.

Music City, Meeting called to order by Shaun. He then led us in the pledge .We only had 4 members in attendance so the meeting was short and sweet. We discussed the kickoff party. Sounds like those that attended had a great time. Congratulations to all that won items in the Chinese auction. Glenn was very surprised and grateful for the award he received! We also discussed STR. We attended Robertson County charter meeting and had a STR meeting there. STR is a go and is being planned! Flyers will be out very soon! Everybody please pass out fliers and get the word and so STR can be a success! Joel had his knee replacement and doing well. Wishing him a speedy recovery! Lisa won the 50/50 and donated it to the charter. Wendell made a motion to adjourn. Rita 2nd the motion. Motion carried. See ya'll soon! Peace out! Sharon "CRASH" Stout

Dekalb County submitted charter report for the record but unformatted to fit.

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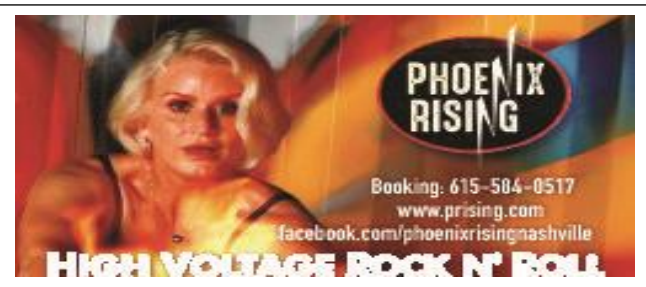
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