

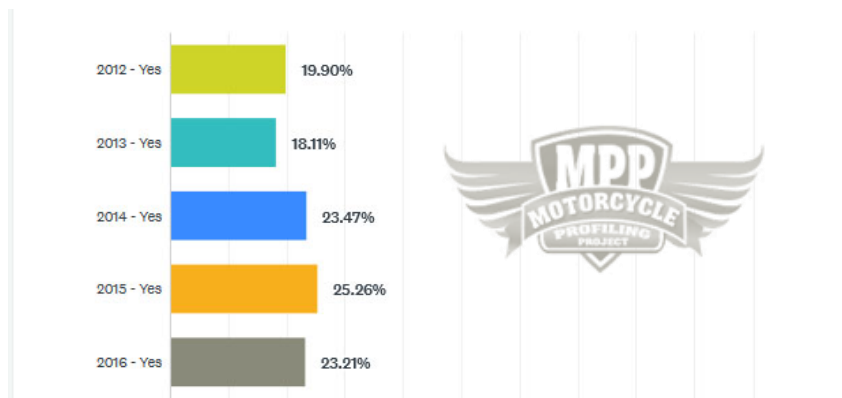
HELP END MOTORCYCLE PROFILING CO-SPONSOR H.RES.318 & S.RES.154

CALIFORNIA

FAST FACTS:

- California is #1 in the nation for reported profiling incidents
- 36% of respondents are American Veterans
- 85% voted in the 2016 General Election
- Less than 2% of respondents have been convicted of a felony

REPORTED PROFILING INCIDENTS



Motorcycle 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.



More and more, motorcyclists across the country feel singled out by law enforcement because of their appearance, apparel, or because they are simply riding a motorcycle. In fact, according to a recently conducted national survey, over half of the respondents felt they had been profiled by law enforcement despite not committing any traffic infractions. Unfortunately, the stereotype of the “criminal biker” has been exacerbated by television shows such as “Sons of Anarchy” that depict motorcyclists as dangerous and unlawful citizens, and responsible motorcyclists are suffering the consequences.



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WHAT IS MOTORCYCLE PROFILING?

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FAST FACTS:

- Over 14,000 riders have participated in this national survey by the Motorcycle Profiling Project ... this number continues to grow
- Since 2012, there has been a 53% increase in reported incidents
- Almost 40% of respondents are American Veterans
- 86% of respondents voted in 2016 General Election

WHO IS BEING TARGETED?

| Answer Choices | Responses |
|--|-----------|
| Motorcycle Club (1%er) | 8.53% |
| Motorcycle Club | 26.98% |
| Motorcycle Club or Association (Veterans) | 11.35% |
| Motorcycle Club or Ministry (Religious) | 4.64% |
| Motorcycle Club or Association (Clean and Sober) | 2.08% |
| Riding Club | 7.23% |
| Independent, no club affiliation | 39.19% |

