

SAMPLE LETTER TO GOVERNOR PATERSON

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Hon. David Paterson
State Capitol
Albany, NY 12224

Dear Sir,

I am writing you to ask you to end the New York State Police program known as “Trooper 5060”. This program unfairly targets motorcycles for “safety checks”. I believe that this is selective enforcement of DMV regulations because these stops only affect motorcycle riders. Additionally, I have my motorcycle inspected by a qualified, licensed motorcycle mechanic each year as required by law. I cannot imagine that a NYS Trooper is more qualified to ensure compliance than a trained professional mechanic. This inspection should be enough to satisfy DMV regulations. I believe that the 5060 program is discriminatory by its very nature and should be discontinued immediately.

Safety for a motorcycle rider should be dealt with through educational programs for all licensed drivers, not targeted enforcement. The “Rule of Law” states that *no one* is above the law. It is implicit that *enforcement* of the law should also be equal for all. Selective enforcement could not possibly be in the best interests of the people of New York State.

We are all interested in protecting and preserving the environment. Even though I have a motorcycle with a fairly large engine, I still get 52mpg. That’s better than most hybrid vehicles and certainly better than any conventional automobile. Instead of discouraging motorcycle use by selective enforcement of DMV regulations, we should be encouraging as many people as possible to ride thereby decreasing our carbon footprint.

I hope that you agree and will act to stop the “Trooper 5060” program from being continued this year and henceforth.

Respectfully submitted,

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