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MINUTES

Government Affairs Committee

Embassy Suites Sacramento
100 Capitol Mall, Sacramento, CA
February 24, 2018
8:15 – 9:45 AM

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:16 am.

II. Roll Call (Review Notes)

Present: Dave Kusa, Rocky Khamenian, Stuart Terry, Steve Vanlandingham, John Villa

Advisors: Larry Moore, George Hritz

Excused: James Justus, Tracy Renee, John Villa, Rich Lezcano, Dennis Montalbano, Allen Pennebaker

Absent: Glenn Davis, Gene Morrill, Craig Johnson, Phil Fournier

Staff: Jack Molodanof, Gloria Peterson, Matthew Peralta

Guests: Rory Balmer, Jack Scrafield, John Camara, Laurie Moore, Lee Chesnin, Maylan Newton; Jerry Kubitsky; Jim Silverman (ATI), LKQ: Stephen Pool and James Mason; John Hartman (Napa), Jim Gray (AutoZone), Kukui: Patrick Egan, Todd Westerlund, Mike Giblin, and Greg Waters; Chris Guitia (AutoFlow), Pat Cadam; Mitch Mendenhall; John Eppstein; Zarkis Martirosian, German Lara, Angi Roberts, Rob Pitari, Grant Takikawa, Travis Guy, Scott Alton

III. Minutes

The minutes of the January 25, 2018 meeting were deferred due to the lack of a quorum.

IV. Financials

The budget document was provided that reflected no new activity since the last report. G. Peterson noted that there will be activity to report during the next meeting, as a deposit has been made on the venue for Legislative Day.

V. NASTF Report

D. Kusa provided an overview of National Automotive Service Task Force (NASTF) and the need for ASCCA to be involved. He encouraged individuals to consider being a member of a Committees (Teams). D. Kusa encouraged those who have not obtained a Lock Smith Identification Number (LSID) to start the process right away.

Federal Data Access Legislation – D. Kusa provided a background of the need for an advisory committee and recommended the Committee support the legislative effort. J. Molodanof reported that we will have a voice at the table.

ACTION The Committee will formally approve support of the legislation via e-mail.

VI. Action Sheet

J. Molodanof reviewed the recent BAG Meeting and the workshop addressing minor service.

An autonomous vehicle hearing took place that Jack had sent out a summary report on. He highlighted portions of his report and concerns with safety issues, traffic congestion, data use and impact on privacy, effects on jobs and law enforcement. He noted that ASCCA is at the table on these discussions.

VII. Legislation

AB 1743 (O'Donnell) – Will give money to all school districts for career technical education. ASCCA and the California Automotive Teachers (CAT) testified during the committee hearing. J. Molodanof noted that this is one of the bills he recommends that is covered during Legislative Day.

J. Molodanof provided a background that 2,500 new bills are introduced each year.

AB 2276 (Burke) – Labor rate – require insurer to conduct survey to establish labor rates for autobody claims.

AB 2392 (Santiago) – Towing and Storage – There was a suggestion that perhaps ASCCA invite the tow association to join in on us on Legislative Day.

ACTION G. Peterson will facilitate an invitation to the California Tow Truck Association to participate in ASCCA's Legislative Day.

AB 2908 (Berman) – Tire Recycling – Will impose additional fees above the \$1.75 already collected to further fund tire recycling. The bill will provide them the opportunity to raise the fee by up to an additional \$1. It will be collected in the cost of the tire rather than a separate line item on the consumer invoice. ASCCA has opposed this in the past. If they require the fee to be paid out of the cost of the tire rather than a separate line item is that it will not require them to get a super majority vote, but rather a simple majority. May be a Legislative Day bill. ASCCA will do a joint industry opposition letter.

SB 993 (Hertzberg) – Sales Tax on Services

Sunset Review Hearing – Opportunity to address issues with the BAR and industry. J. Molodanof suggested this would be a good opportunity to address minor repair. He reviewed the background of what happened in the media with respect to site and fine and that he thinks this will likely be brought up during the Sunset Review hearing.

VIII. Old Business

Legislative Day – Bill List – AB 1743, AB 2392, and AB 2908 were recommended as our focus during Legislative Day.

There was discussion about whether AB 1577 would make sense to review. The consensus was that ASCCA would likely support the bill, but it isn't necessarily a bill to cover during Legislative Day.

ACTION George Hritz will invite the CAT members to participate in Legislative Day.

Guest Speaker – Assemblyman Lowe is a good candidate, but he may not be available due to his committee start time. Jordan Cunningham from San Luis Obispo may be a good candidate if he is available.

ACTION J. Villa will invite Cunningham to speak.

California Small Business Association – G. Peterson reviewed that there was a need to discuss, but further discussion was deferred.

IX. New Business – Deferred

X. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:46 am.