

ARIZONA STATE LEGISLATURE

TOWING SAFETY TASK FORCE

**Minutes of the Meeting
October 1, 2019
10:00 a.m., House Hearing Room 4**

Members Present:

Senator Frank Pratt, Vice Chair
Senator Lisa Otondo
Angela Barnett
Major Dustin Coleman, Director of the
Department of Public Safety's designee

Representative Thomas "T.J." Shope Jr., Chair
Jeff Dunn
Steve Stahl

Members Excused:

Representative Diego Espinoza

Staff:

Zachary Dean, Senate Research Staff
Jason Theodorou, House Research Staff

Chairman Shope called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. and attendance was noted.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Representative Shope welcomed everyone to the meeting and requested that the members of the Committee introduce themselves.

REVIEW OF COMMITTEE CHARGE

Jason Theodorou, House Research Analyst, Committee on Transportation, explained the Charge of the Committee.

PRESENTATIONS

Angela Barnett, Executive Director, Arizona Professional Towing & Recovery Association - "Industry Update"

Angela Barnett, Arizona Professional Towing and Recovery Association (APTRA), distributed and explained a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Towing Safety" (Attachment A).

Ms. Barnett gave an overview of safety issues for the towing industry and answered questions posed by the Committee.

Doug Pacey, Arizona Department of Transportation - "ADOT's Outreach and Education Efforts for Move Over"

Doug Pacey, Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), Communications Department, distributed and explained a PowerPoint presentation entitled "MoveOverAZ" (Attachment B). Mr. Pacey gave an overview of how ADOT is educating the public regarding the safety of people and vehicles on the side of the road. Mr. Pacey answered questions posed by the Committee.

Brittany Bingold, Barnett's Towing - "Overview of Industry Concerns and Possible Solutions"

Brittany Bingold, Pivotal Policy Consulting, representing Barnett's Towing, testified regarding concerns and possible solutions for the towing industry with regards to lighting, training, status and public awareness campaigns.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Representative Shope asked if anyone in the public wanted to speak and noted that no one came forward to speak.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

The Committee discussed topics to address in future meetings.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:54 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Ponce
Committee Secretary

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