

# J-Slam Spring Boosters

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Many have done the Julio Slam and complained that with a passenger on board the shock bottoms out and caused damage to the rear fender – the prevalent solution has been replace the spring with an Eibach or a RoadStar shock spring – one rated at a higher load capacity. While this in fact is the optimal solution it may not be the most cost effective or the easiest.



This solution is very cheap – less than \$6 and by all indications does the job admirably with far less effort than spring replacement – this one is easy....!!!!

## Items needed

- Superior Automotive Front "500" Rubber Coil Spring Boosters #18-1601 (AutoZone)
- Dremel tool w/ sanding wheel and cutoff wheel



## Steps

Lift the bike- get the rear tire off the ground to take some tension off the spring

Remove the seat



Take one of the spacers and cut it in half and then cut it in half again...like you're quartering an apple. Used my miter saw, jig saw – hack saw - a dremel will work just fine.

Beware...that burning polyurethane stinks really badly! *“(understatement)”*

You'll end up with four 2 inch long pieces.

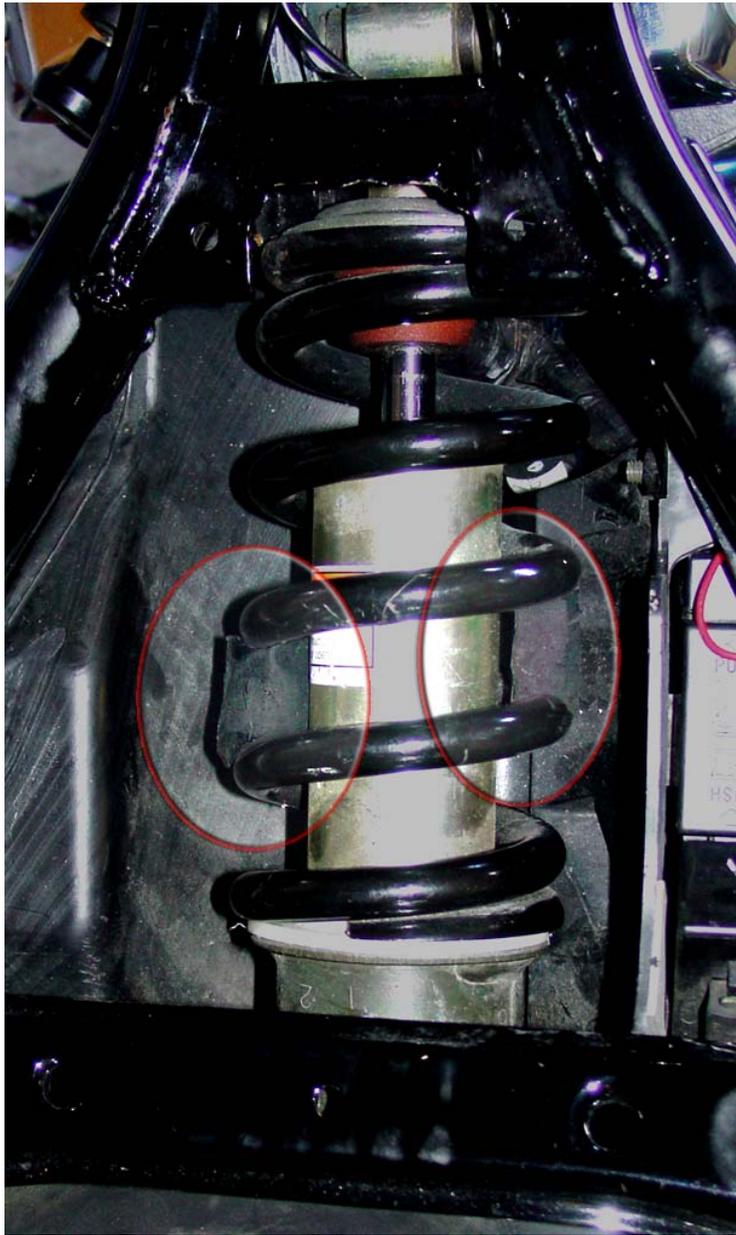


Shave these pieces a little with a dremel so that they will fit down in the gaps. You don't want to shave them too much, you don't want them to fall out while riding.



Once you feel they are the right size, use a hammer and screwdriver to wedge them in between the springs.





**Place two pieces...one on each side...in each space.**

*“I probably used a little overkill, but I'm 6'6" 280 and my gorgeous wife is 6'2" ???...not exactly the typical pair on a VStar. Took a grand total of about 30 minutes to do the whole thing. I spent longer standing in line at AutoZone on Saturday morning! I really didn't want to mess with replacing the spring idea. Just too much work...especially after putting the whole thing together a few weeks ago after repainting.”*