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Jesse White Issues a Public Reminder to Motorists About Following Safe Driving Laws

Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White is reminding motorists to adhere to traffic laws that help improve road safety statewide. Many of the laws have been in effect for some time but White wanted to alert motorists that they could face fines or possible jail time by violating these traffic safety rules.

“One of my top priorities is road safety,” White said. “These laws help save lives and improve safety on our roads. Please observe these rules of the roads while driving.”

White reminds motorists of some key traffic safety laws. They include:

- Drivers are prohibited from texting while driving. This is a moving violation with a fine of up to \$1,000.
- Motorists are banned from using cell phones in school or construction zones. This is a moving violation with a fine of up to \$1,000.
- People should not drive a motor vehicle with any objects, which obstructs the driver’s view, placed or suspended between the driver and the front windshield, rear window, or side windows. Violators of this law can face up to a \$1,000 fine.
- Drivers should refrain from hanging items from the rearview mirror. Violators can be fined up to \$1,000.
- Motorists should not throw debris from a vehicle. Violators may face up to six months of jail time and a maximum fine of \$1,500.
- Drivers must place the license plate sticker in the upper right corner of the plate as required by the Secretary of State. Violators of this law can face up to a \$1,000 fine.
- Drivers are required to display two license plates on their vehicles. Violators can be fined up to \$1,000.
- Motorists are not allowed to put a plastic covering over license plates. The fine for this violation can be up to \$1,000.
- When approaching any police or other emergency vehicle stopped along the roadway, drivers must proceed with caution, change lanes if possible and reduce speed. Violators can face a fine of up to \$10,000. If this moving violation results in property damage or personal injury, the conviction will result in a suspension.