

*Illinois
Motor
Vehicle
Theft
Prevention
Council*

2003 Annual Report

A private and public partnership effectively combating motor vehicle theft and related crimes in Illinois since 1991.

Rod R. Blagojevich, Governor



To the Governor and the Members of the Illinois General Assembly:

I am pleased to present the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council 2003 Annual Report. This report describes the challenges we've faced and documents the positive results we achieved this past year. The Council's partnership of public and private sectors is effectively fighting vehicle theft in Illinois.

Since 1991, the year the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act was enacted by the General Assembly, vehicle theft in Illinois has declined 40 percent. From 1991 to 2002, the number of stolen vehicles decreased from 75,642 to 45,262. This is a decline of more than 30,000 vehicles annually – resulting in a savings of nearly \$204 million.

The grant funds awarded by the Council have improved motor vehicle theft law enforcement by establishing and supporting multijurisdictional task forces, investigative teams, and other special efforts throughout the state. These programs have produced impressive results during the past 12 years, including:

- 17,577 criminal investigations initiated.
- 32,078 audits of vehicle-related businesses.
- 10,000 violation letters issued to audited businesses.
- 9,295 arrests.
- 3,579 convictions obtained.
- 24,933 stolen vehicles recovered worth nearly \$186.7 million.

The \$72 million granted by the Council from 1991 through 2003 has resulted in the recovery of approximately \$391 million in stolen vehicles and reduced theft rates - *a return of more than \$5 for every dollar spent.*

I would like to thank the individuals who remain dedicated and committed to the Council's mission to decrease motor vehicle theft in Illinois, and congratulate those carrying out this successful work.

Very respectfully,



Lori G. Levin
Executive Director
Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority





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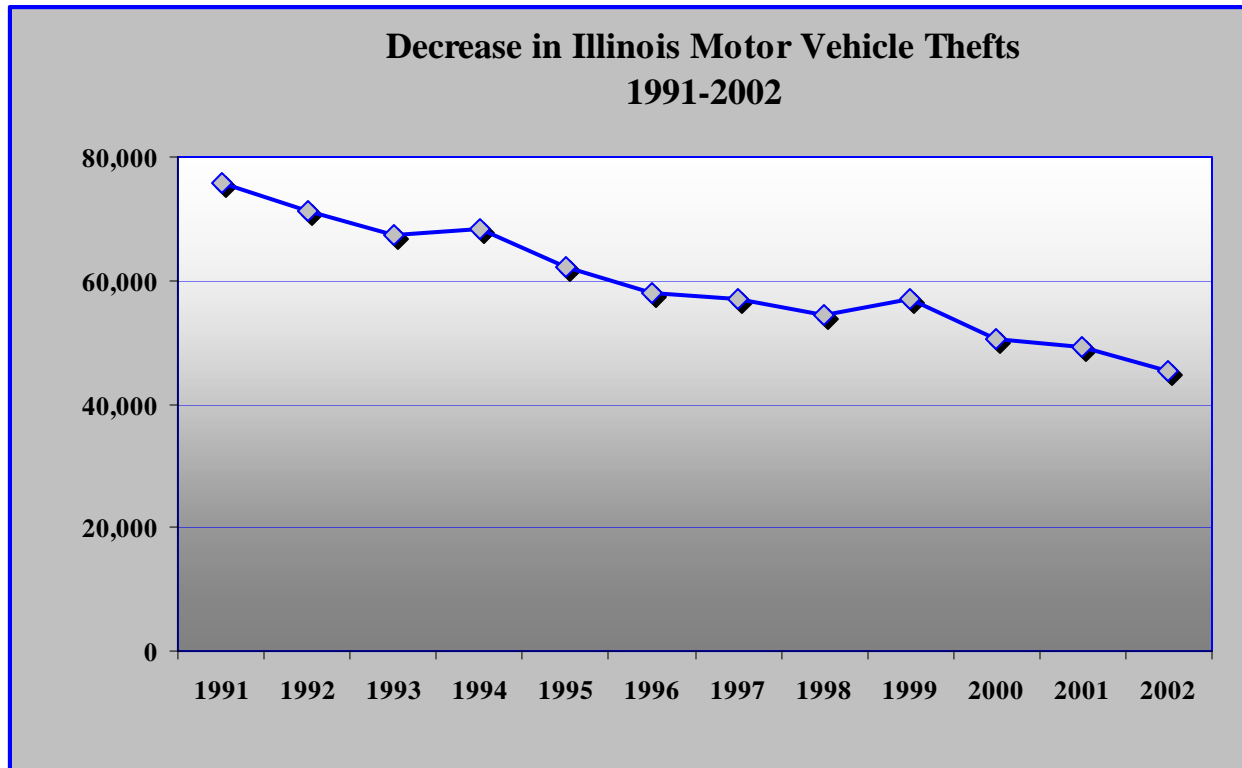
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Source: Illinois State Police, *Uniform Crime Reports*

The 2003 Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council

In 1991, the General Assembly established the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council. The Council is an 11-member coalition composed of representatives from the insurance industry, state's attorney, and law enforcement. The Council's mission is to reduce vehicle theft, insurance fraud, and motor vehicle theft-related crimes in Illinois.

The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act requires insurance companies to pay into a special trust fund \$1 for each private passenger automobile insured for physical damage coverage. This amount, which is approximately \$6 million each year, is collected and distributed by the Council. The funds are designated to law enforcement programs that increase investigation and prosecution of vehicle theft-related crimes.

Members of the Council appoint the Grant Review Committee members. The Grant Review Committee reviews all grant proposals, budgets, and additional information that must be brought before the Council.

2003 Council Members

During 2003, the following members served on the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council:

Larry G. Trent, Chairman

Director, Illinois State Police

Mr. Trent was appointed director in March 2003. Mr. Trent has an extensive law enforcement background, having served the Illinois State Police (ISP) for 22 years prior to his retirement in 1993. During his ISP career, he held a variety of investigative and management positions, receiving six promotions, and numerous departmental commendations.

Rodney Fisher

State Farm Insurance Companies

Rodney P. Fisher, CPCU, CLU, ChFC, CIFI, is currently a section manager with State Farm Insurance Companies. Mr. Fisher leads the Chicago Metro Special Investigative Units, which investigate a variety of claims, including claims involving motor vehicle thefts. Mr. Fisher has held this position since 1998. Prior to holding this position, Mr. Fisher was a team manager with State Farm's Special Investigative units. Prior to joining the Special Investigative Units, Mr. Fisher held various other claims management and claim handling positions with State Farm as well as other major insurance companies. Mr. Fisher is a graduate of Indiana State University with B.S. degrees in economics and political science. He was appointed to the Council in 2003.

Hon. Richard A. Devine

Cook County State's Attorney

Mr. Devine was elected Cook County State's Attorney in 1996. Mr. Devine has more than 30 years of experience in both public and private practice. He served as first assistant state's attorney from 1980 to 1983. Today, he serves on boards of the National District Attorneys Association and is the immediate past president of the Illinois State's Attorneys Association.

Philip J. Cline

*Superintendent,
Chicago Police Department*

Philip J. Cline was appointed Chicago Police Department superintendent in October 2003. Mr. Cline has been with the Chicago Police Department since 1968, starting as a cadet and working through the ranks. In 1998, he became commander of the Narcotics and Gang Investigation Section. He later was promoted to deputy chief of the Organized Crime Unit, chief of detectives, and first deputy superintendent before being appointed to his current post. He replaced Terry Hillard on the Council in 2003.

Brian B. Fengel

Chief, Bartonville Police Department

Brian B. Fengel has been the chief of police in Bartonville since 1998 and began his career with the department as an officer in 1990. He is a graduate of the 201st Session of the FBI National Academy. He has a B.S. degree in criminal justice and served as a police officer assigned with the Secret Service at the 2002 Olympic Games in Salt Lake City, Utah. He was appointed to the Council in 2003.

Hon. Paul A. Logli

Winnebago County State's Attorney

Mr. Logli was elected Winnebago County State's Attorney in 1988, and re-elected in 1992, 1996, and 2000. In 1981, he was appointed as an associate judge of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit Court. In 1986, he resigned from the bench and accepted an appointment to fill an unexpired term as state's attorney. He was appointed to the Council in 1993.

Beau William Parillo

United Automobile Insurance Company

Mr. Parillo is vice president of claims for United Automobile Insurance Company. He was appointed to the Council in 2000.

Donald L. Sauzek

Country Companies

Mr. Sauzek has been a Council member since 1996. He is manager of material damage claims for Country Companies, directing all aspects of physical damage claims in ten states.

Hon. Jesse White

Illinois Secretary of State

Mr. White was elected the 37th Illinois Secretary of State in 1998. Mr. White served as Cook County recorder of deeds from 1992-1998. Before being elected as recorder of deeds, he served in the Illinois General Assembly for 16 years. Mr. White was chairman of the Illinois House Committee on Human Services, and was a member of the education committee and committees on children and aging. Since October 2003, Brad Demuzio, director of the Secretary of State Police Department, has served as Mr. White's designee to the Council.

Grant Review Committee Members

Kenneth Bouche, Chairman

Deputy Director, Illinois State Police

Represents Council Chairman Trent.

Rodney Fisher

State Farm Insurance Companies

Paul Bluethner

Allstate Insurance Company

Represents Council member James R. Sample.

Michael Smith

Cook County State's Attorney's Office

Represents Cook County State's Attorney Richard A. Devine.

Brad Demuzio

Illinois Secretary of State Department of Police

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Patrick Kelly, *Vehicle Acquisition Specialist*

Thomas Nichol, *Program Analyst*

Motor Vehicle Theft Trends in Illinois

Vehicle thefts decline

Since the Council's inception in 1991, the annual number of motor vehicle theft offenses in Illinois decreased 40 percent, from 75,642 in 1991 to 45,262 in 2002. At the time of this report, the most recent data available from the Illinois Uniform Crime Reporting Program was from 2002. The annual vehicle theft rate in Illinois decreased approximately 45 percent between 1991 and 2002, from 656 to 359 offenses per 100,000 population. When the number of vehicle thefts in Illinois was compared to the rest of the states, Illinois ranked 6th in 2001 (49,163) and 7th in 2002 (45,262). In 1991, Illinois ranked 5th among U.S. states with a total of 75,642 motor vehicle thefts.

Figure 1 shows the number of vehicle theft offenses in 2002 for each county. The counties with the most vehicle thefts include: Cook, DuPage, Kane, Madison, Peoria, St. Clair, and Winnebago. Cook County alone represents nearly 75 percent of vehicle thefts in Illinois. The areas where the seven Council-funded task forces operate are outlined in black.

Vehicle theft recoveries

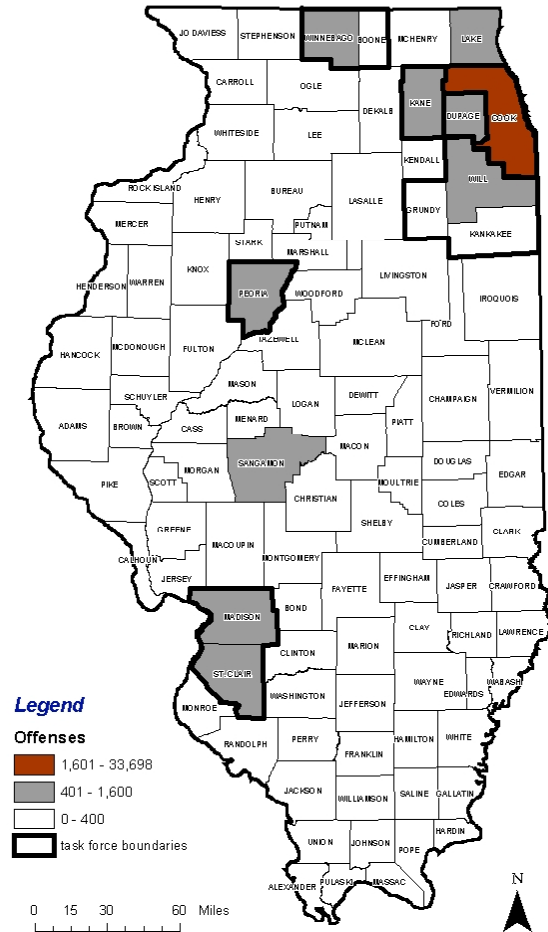
According to the Illinois State Police, 81 percent of the vehicles stolen in Illinois in 2002 were recovered. The average number of days between theft and recovery was 17 in 2002.

Vehicle theft arrests & convictions

In 2002, the most recent data available, there were 11,536 arrests for vehicle theft in Illinois. This makes up 8 percent of the total estimated arrests for vehicle theft in the U.S. in 2002. Illinois arrests have increased 6 percent since 1991, while nationwide the number of estimated vehicle theft arrests decreased approximately 28 percent.

Figure 1

2002 motor vehicle theft offenses



In 2002, the average sentence length of the 866 offenders committed to the Illinois Department of Corrections for motor vehicle theft was 4.1 years. Although the total number of motor vehicle theft sentences imposed in 2002 increased by 8 percent from 2001, the average sentence length decreased from 4.2 to 4.1 years.

Overview of Council Programs 1992-2003

Since 1992, when grants were first awarded, the Council has funded 30 vehicle theft programs in Illinois. The majority of awarded funds, about \$50 million, have been focused on law enforcement programs that increase investigations and prosecutions of vehicle theft-related crimes (Figure 2).

Through 2003, the programs funded by the Council expended approximately \$65 million. Most funds pay the salary and fringe benefits of personnel assigned to task forces and special investigative teams in the state (Figure 3). Remaining funds are utilized for equipment, commodities, travel, contractual agreements, and costs not covered by the other categories.

Programs funded by the Council are cooperative partnerships. Nearly all of the funded programs involved considerable support from participating agencies. The Illinois State Police and the Secretary of State Department of Police assigned task force directors and personnel to the programs and absorbed costs for these personnel. In addition, the National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB) assigned agents to the programs without requesting compensation and many Illinois insurance companies have loaned more than 300 vehicles for use by Council-funded law enforcement programs.

Figure 2

**Funding awarded in targeted program areas
1992-2003**

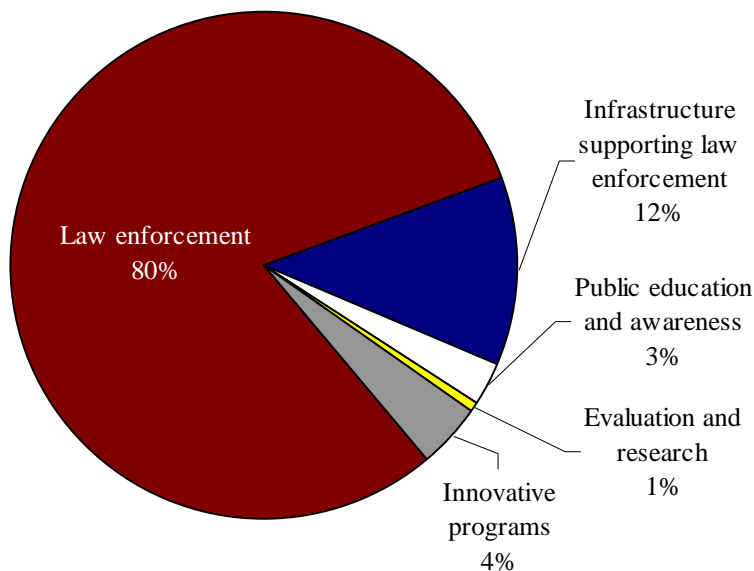
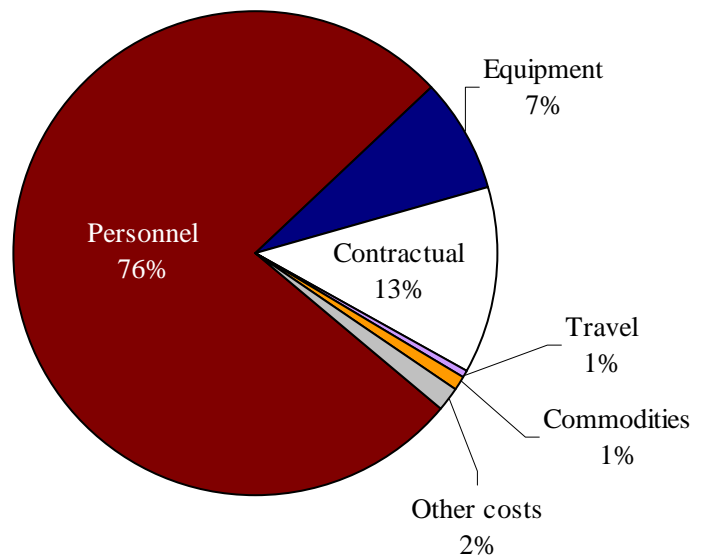


Figure 3

**Program expenditure categories
1992-2003**



Council-funded Programs 2003

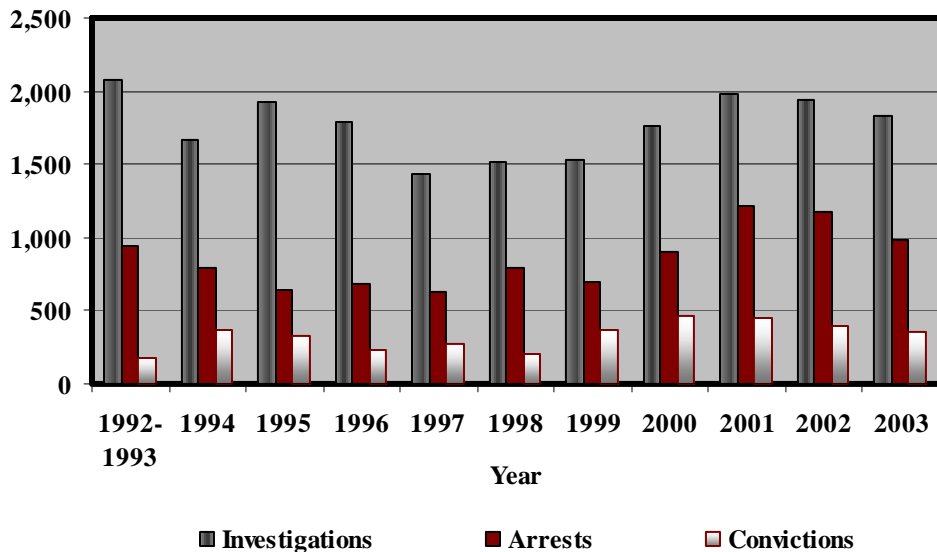
In 2003, the Council funded 13 programs: seven task forces, one specialized prosecution program, one specialized investigations program, one vehicle theft training program, one vehicle maintenance program, and two data intelligence programs. There were 116 personnel supported by, or assigned to, Council-funded programs in 2003.

Law enforcement

There were seven Council-funded task forces operating in Illinois during 2003. The task forces consist of officers from both local and state law enforcement agencies. In 2003, 94 investigators and auditors were assigned to the Council-funded task forces. During the year, the work of the task forces resulted in 1,832 investigations, 982 arrests, and 359 convictions¹ (Figure 4). There were 1,444 vehicles, valued at approximately \$16 million, recovered. In addition, the task force officers were involved in public awareness and motor vehicle theft prevention activities in their areas.

Figure 4

**Task force program activity
1992²-2003**



Source: Task Force Monthly Performance Reports

¹ Due to the time lapse between an arrest and conviction, the number of convictions during a year does not directly reflect the number of arrests during the same year.

² Data for September through December 1992 were added to 1993 data

DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force

Grantee: DuPage County Sheriff's Office

Amount Awarded for 2003: \$434,494

The DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force, known as BATTLE (Beat Auto Theft Through Law Enforcement), operates in DuPage County, located in northeastern Illinois. In a coordinated effort to identify and arrest offenders, the officers work with numerous agencies, such as local Crime Stoppers programs, insurance companies, and local, county, and federal police agencies. In 2003, BATTLE conducted 92 investigations (36 self-initiated and 56 assisted investigations), resulting in 81 arrests. These cases were referred for prosecution, resulting in 43 convictions. BATTLE also recovered 71 stolen vehicles worth an estimated \$1.3 million.

BATTLE provided training to law enforcement agencies on 22 occasions during 2003. This number includes training provided while participating in the Wheaton Police Department's Commercial Vehicle Registration Enforcement Days and during DUI roadside safety checks with the DuPage County Sheriff's Office and the West Chicago Police Department. BATTLE also provided training to 43 business and citizens groups in DuPage County –including Citizen Police Academies – and participated in the DuPage County Sheriff's Safety Saturday. In addition, BATTLE continues to provide all police departments in DuPage County with the monthly stolen vehicle "Hot Sheet" and the Illinois State Police Quarterly Reports.

Kane-Cook Auto Theft Task Force

Grantee: Elgin Police Department

Amount Awarded for 2003: \$398,383

The Kane-Cook Auto Theft Task Force (KCAT) is located in northeast Illinois and its service area covers Kane County and the northwestern portion of the Chicago metropolitan area. The unit's central activities include intelligence gathering, surveillance, and monitoring areas prone to vehicle thefts. In 2003, KCAT carried out 78 investigations (36 self-initiated and 42 assisted investigations), resulting in 55 arrests. The task force referred 43 cases for prosecution that led to 21 convictions in 2003. In addition, the task force recovered 91 vehicles worth an estimated \$1.1 million.

Other significant aspects of KCAT operations in 2003 include the expansion of the ongoing "Polish Predator" investigation, where Polish nationals believed to be living illegally in Illinois have bought salvaged vehicles in Kentucky, stolen vehicles in Illinois, and replaced the vehicle identification numbers. These individuals have now been linked to various incidents of insurance fraud, as well as other types of bank loan fraud. In 2003, 11 stolen vehicles were recovered related to this investigation. KCAT has now partnered with the FBI and the NICB to identify and recover retagged vehicles (i.e., salvage switches and clones) in, or passing through, the Chicago metropolitan area. Approximately 20 percent of all KCAT recoveries in 2003 were retagged vehicles. KCAT has also expanded the use of Illinois Wireless Network (IWIN) terminals in KCAT investigations. This tool has proved critical in several retagged vehicle recoveries and it has improved overall investigative efficiency. Finally, KCAT continues to make training a priority, both in improving the skills of KCAT investigative personnel and in providing training to KCAT service area agencies.

Metro-East Auto Theft Task Force

Grantee: Belleville Police Department

Amount Awarded for 2003: \$589,172

The Metro East Auto Theft Task Force operates in Madison and St. Clair counties located in southern Illinois. The task force combats vehicle theft by working closely with the St. Louis Police Department and St. Louis County Sheriff's Office. In 2003, the Metro East Auto Theft Task Force conducted 650 investigations (485 self-initiated and 165 assisted investigations), resulting in 362 arrests. The task force referred 323 cases for prosecution that led to 86 convictions. The unit recovered 451 vehicles worth an estimated \$3.6 million.

All members of the task force attend weekly roll call meetings where information is exchanged and disseminated concerning suspects and ongoing investigations. The task force increased its case activity by approximately 100 cases since 2002. Task force personnel worked two insurance fraud cases during 2003, resulting in savings by the insurance companies in the amount of \$90,000. In 2003, task force personnel increased the number of arrests by 90, and about 80 more prosecutions were requested. The dollar total for recoveries in 2003 is nearly \$1.4 million more than in 2002, and is the highest dollar amount of recoveries since the inception of the task force.

Northeast Metro Auto Theft Task Force

Grantee: Illinois State Police

Amount Awarded for 2003: \$824,044

The Northeast Metro Auto Theft Task Force (NEMAT) serves Cook County and the City of Chicago. In 2003, NEMAT conducted 296 investigations (221 self-initiated and 75 assisted investigations), resulting in 165 arrests. The task force referred 120 cases for prosecution that led to 59 convictions in 2003. The unit recovered 283 stolen vehicles worth an estimated \$5.3 million.

In 2003, the NEMAT program had one officer from the Glencoe Police Department participate in the 120-day training program and the unit conducted nine roll call training sessions to local law enforcement agencies in the Chicago Metropolitan area. In May 2003, the NEMAT program assisted in the preparation and presentation of the 40th Annual Midwest Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Conference that was held in Tinley Park. In conjunction with training law enforcement personnel, the program provided training in preventing and detecting identity theft to officials from the Midwest Region of Fifth Third Bank. To promote and increase public awareness, NEMAT officers provided free vehicle identification number etching to Chicago, Dolton, and Stone Park residents.

Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force

Grantee: Winnebago County Sheriff's Office

Amount Awarded for 2003: \$422,172

The Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force (NIATTF) covers Winnebago and Boone counties. In 2003, NIATTF launched 200 investigations (48 self-initiated and 152 assisted investigations), resulting in 74 arrests. The task force referred 84 cases for prosecution that led to 14 convictions in 2003. The unit recovered 39 stolen vehicles worth an estimated \$285,935.

NIATTF also conducted investigations on 148 vehicles that were recovered by other law enforcement agencies. The value of these vehicles totaled \$1 million. NIATTF identified a chop shop that was being operated in northern Winnebago County. This chop shop was found to be chopping vehicles that were stolen from Wisconsin. Also during 2003, NIATTF inspectors spoke at two community awareness programs offered to senior citizen organizations.

State and Local Auto Theft Enforcement Task Force

Grantee: City of Peoria Police Department

Amount Awarded for 2003: \$246,431

The State and Local Auto Theft Enforcement Task Force (SLATE) serves Peoria County in the central region of Illinois. During 2003, the program's fourth year of operation, SLATE conducted 263 investigations (158 initiated and 105 assisted investigations), resulting in 162 arrests. The task force referred 162 of these cases for prosecution that led to 87 convictions in 2003. In addition, the task force recovered 178 vehicles worth an estimated \$1.2 million.

In a cooperative partnership with the Council's Secretary of State Police Audit Team, the task force conducted a scrap processor detail in the Peoria area. Officers from both units checked scrap haulers and their cargo before they entered the scrap processor. Task force officers conducted six motor vehicle theft trainings for investigators and patrol officers. In addition, officers attended roll call training and neighborhood watch meetings, instructed at the Peoria Police Citizen Academy, attended monthly multi-agency intelligence meetings, and worked an informational booth at the Peoria Auto Show.

Tri-County Auto Theft Task Force

Grantee: Joliet Police Department

Amount Awarded for 2003: \$788,984

The Tri-County Task Force serves the Joliet area, including Will, Kankakee, and Grundy counties. The task force links the efforts of the Illinois State Police, the sheriff's offices of Will, Grundy, and Kankakee counties, and the police departments of Joliet, Bolingbrook, Romeoville, and the City of Kankakee. In 2003, the task force performed 254 investigations (125 initiated and 129 assisted investigations), resulting in 81 arrests. All 81 cases were referred for prosecution, resulting in 49 convictions. The unit recovered 199 vehicles that were worth an estimated \$2.1 million.

In 2003, the Tri-County Task Force sponsored 13 intelligence meetings with several local and federal law enforcement agencies. The task force also taught a 36-hour motor vehicle theft training for investigators, as well as an auto theft class for Kankakee County police auxiliaries. The officers conducted two roadside safety checks with area police departments, passing out auto theft information. Task force officers also attended a legislative law update class sponsored by the Appellate Prosecutor's Office, as well as a cargo theft seminar in Florida.

Specialized Prosecution

Cook County Motor Vehicle Theft Prosecution Unit

Grantee: Office of the Cook County State's Attorney

Amount Awarded for 2003: \$628,624

The unit is comprised of one supervising and three specially trained prosecutors, two state's attorney's investigators, an administrative assistant, and two part-time law clerks. The four senior attorneys prosecute career auto thieves as well as individuals involved in chop shop operations, insurance fraud, organized street gang operations, carjacking, and the illegal activities of rebuilders and scrap dealers. The prosecution team 'vertically' prosecutes targeted vehicle theft cases and related crimes in Cook County. In vertical prosecution, an attorney is assigned a case from submission through trial, a method considered critical for prosecuting vehicle theft cases. Two Cook County State's Attorney's investigators augment police work by tracking documents, locating witnesses, and conducting detailed background investigations.

In 2003, 104 vehicle theft-related cases were referred for prosecution. The work of the prosecution unit led to 103 indictments of 118 defendants. There were 186 cases that received sentencing in 2003 (which include some cases initiated in 2001 and 2002). The cases resulted in 163 guilty pleas and 11 findings of guilt. 123 defendants were sentenced to prison or jail and 23 received felony probation. The remaining defendants received lesser sentences. Restitution and court costs totaling \$342,945 also were ordered.

Specialized Investigation

Secretary of State Special Audit Teams Program

Grantee: Secretary of State, Department of Police

Amount Awarded for 2003: \$1,092,727

The Secretary of State Special Audit Teams Program focuses on policing the "marketplace" for stolen vehicles and parts using special audit teams. There were four teams in operation during 2003, which were located in Chicago, Rockford, Peoria, and East St. Louis. The teams travel throughout Illinois, monitoring salvage yards, rebuilders, repairers, insurance pools, and scrap processors for compliance with regulations governing record keeping of vehicle and vehicle part transactions. The teams are comprised of 13 auditors and two supervisors, as well as two clerical personnel, and one administrator.

In 2003, the teams performed 3,135 audits involving 44,923 vehicles and 5,018 essential vehicle parts. In all, 52 stolen vehicles and 208 contraband (illegally imported) vehicles were recovered, for a total estimated value of \$2.2 million. There were 18 essential vehicle parts recovered, worth an estimated \$40,950. The teams also inspected 7,167 certificates of title, 17,707 junk certificates, and 2,838 salvage certificates. There were 500 violation letters issued, which resulted in 942 charges.

Infrastructure Supporting Programs

Insurance Vehicle Expense Fund Program

Grantee: Illinois Anti-Car Theft Committee

Amount Awarded for 2003: \$65,000

To support Council-funded law enforcement efforts, insurance companies have loaned vehicles for use by Council-funded programs. To date, 29 different insurance companies have loaned 305 vehicles. The vast majority of these vehicles are recovered stolen vehicles obtained from the insurance salvage pools in the Chicago metropolitan area. Program funds are used to repair these vehicles as well as to obtain required Illinois titles and license plates. The Council, through the Illinois Anti-Car Theft Committee, has designated trust funds for repairing or purchasing parts for these vehicles to make them safe for operation by the task forces. The task force officers are assigned these vehicles for surveillance and undercover activities.

Funds that would have been used to purchase or lease new vehicles at a much higher cost are being used instead to fund other grant expenses. In 2003, Council-funded programs utilized 70 vehicles from insurance companies. Ninety-five percent of the current fleet of 70 vehicles have had the user agreements renewed for 2003. If the Council had leased these vehicles, the estimated cost for the year would have been approximately \$374,000. These savings allowed for expenditures from the fund to total approximately \$17,510. The cost of licensing and registering vehicles was \$3,085 in 2003.

Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse

Grantee: Illinois State Police

Amount Awarded for 2003: \$279,330

The Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse provides focused statewide analytical support for motor vehicle theft task forces and the Illinois law enforcement community. The unit consists of three criminal intelligence analysts and one clerical personnel, and is directed by a master sergeant assigned by the Illinois State Police. The Clearinghouse annually publishes the "Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Statewide Assessment," which includes theft and recovery trends, theft rates by county, and a geographic analysis of the motor vehicle theft problem during the previous year. The report is distributed to the Council-funded task forces, the Council, and the Illinois State Police Training Academy. The Clearinghouse also develops the "Motor Vehicle Theft Task Force Quarterly Activity Summary," which provides information to the Council and Grant Review Committee on the performance of Council-funded task forces.

During 2003, the Clearinghouse received 411 requests for information, crime analysis, mapping, charting, case assistance, and the production of strategic and tactical products. These requests included 300 inquiries from the Council-funded auto theft task forces, 43 from the Illinois State Police, 15 from federal agencies, 25 from local law enforcement, and 28 from other criminal justice entities.

Motor Vehicle Theft Investigation Training Program

Grantee: Illinois State Police

Amount Awarded for 2003: \$84,665

The Motor Vehicle Theft Investigation Training Program is administered by the Illinois State Police. The goal of the program is to increase awareness and understanding of motor vehicle theft among the law enforcement community and the insurance industry in Illinois. The program offers classes for investigators, patrol officers, and insurance industry officials. The training classes cover important characteristics of vehicle theft cases and investigation techniques specific to vehicle theft-related cases.

In 2003, the program conducted four, 36-hour courses, targeting Council-funded vehicle theft task forces. Forty-two officers attended the investigator training classes. The program also conducted 23, 8-hour training classes for patrol officers. The classes were attended by 327 officers in 2003. The training evaluation forms completed by the participants and instructors reported favorable assessments of the training classes.

Motor Vehicle Theft Data and Analysis Program

Grantee: Chicago Police Department

Amount Awarded for 2003: \$123,954

The Motor Vehicle Theft Data and Analysis Program was initiated by the Chicago Police Department to develop an Internet-based software application to provide accurate and timely exchange of auto-theft related information for local law enforcement officers, state and federal law enforcement agencies, and auto theft task forces. The program was designed to make the Chicago Police Department's motor vehicle theft data available via the Internet to outside agencies and citizens.

In 2003, the Chicago Police Department acquired the server and software necessary to successfully implement their Internet-based application that now provides motor vehicle theft data to the Illinois State Police, other law enforcement agencies and local residents.

2003 Programs and Participating Agencies

DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force (BATTLE)

- 1 Illinois State Police master sergeant
- 1 Illinois State Police sergeant
- 2 DuPage County deputies
- 1 DuPage County state's attorney investigator
- 1 DuPage County assistant state's attorney
- 1 Clerical staff person, DuPage County Sheriff's Office

Kane County Auto Theft Task Force (KCAT)

- 1 Illinois State Police Master Sergeant
- 2 Elgin officers
- 1 Aurora officer
- 1 South Barrington officer
- 1 Kane County assistant state's attorney
- 1 Clerical staff person

Metro East Auto Theft Task Force

- 1 Illinois Secretary of State Police investigator
- 1 Illinois State Police agent
- 1 Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville officer
- 1 Cahokia officer
- 1 Collinsville officer
- 1 East St. Louis officer
- 1 St. Clair County deputy
- 1 Madison County deputy
- 1 Fairview Heights officer
- 1 Belleville City Police officer
- 1 Madison County assistant state's attorney
- 1 St. Clair County assistant state's attorney
- 1 Secretary/Contractual
- 1 Fiscal officer/Contractual (part-time)

Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse

- 3 Illinois State Police Intelligence Bureau analysts
- 1 Illinois State Police master sergeant
- 1 Senior administrator

Motor Vehicle Theft Prosecution Unit

- 4 Cook County assistant state's attorneys
- 2 Cook County state's attorney investigators
- 1 Administrative assistant – Cook County
- 2 Law clerks– Cook County

SOS Audit Team

- 18 Secretary of State Department of Police personnel

MV Investigation Training Program

- 2 Illinois State Police personnel

Northeast Metro Auto Theft Task Force (NEMAT)

- 1 Illinois State Police master sergeant
- 8 Illinois State Police investigators
- 2 Chicago officers
- 1 Cicero officer
- 1 Dolton officer
- 1 Berkely officer
- 1 Orland Park officer
- 1 Cook County sheriff
- 1 Cook County assistant state's attorney investigator
- 2 Stone Park officers
- 1 National Insurance Crime Bureau agent
- 2 Clerical staff members

Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force (NIATTF)

- 1 Secretary of State lieutenant (1/2003 - 4/13/2003)
- 1 Illinois State Police sergeant (4/14/2003 – 12/2003)
- 1 Cherry Valley officer
- 1 Belvidere officer
- 1 Winnebago County senior deputy
- 1 Boone County deputy
- 1 Rockton sergeant
- 1 Winnebago County assistant state's attorney
- 1 Clerical staff person

State and Local Auto Theft Enforcement (SLATE)

- 1 Illinois State Police investigations commander
- 1 Illinois State Police master sergeant
- 1 Illinois State Police investigator
- 1 Illinois Secretary of State Police investigator
- 2 Peoria City officers
- 1 Peoria County deputy
- 1 Clerical staff person

Tri-County Auto Theft Task Force

- 1 Illinois State Police master sergeant
- 1 Joliet officer
- 1 Joliet sergeant
- 1 Will County deputy
- 1 Will County sergeant
- 1 Bolingbrook officer
- 1 Grundy County deputy
- 1 Romeoville officer
- 1 Kankakee City officer
- 2 Kankakee County deputies
- 1 Kankakee County assistant state's attorney
- 1 Will County assistant state's attorney
- 1 Clerical staff person, Will County Sheriff's Office
- 1 Clerical staff person, Will County State's Attorney's Office
- 1 National Insurance Crime Bureau agent

TOTAL PERSONNEL: 116

2003 Fiscal Financial Statement

Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Fund Balance for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2003
(July 1, 2002 to June 30, 2003)

REVENUES:	
Insurance company payments	\$5,974,212
Interest income	\$65,179
TOTAL	\$6,039,391
EXPENDITURES:	
Transfers from trust fund*	\$4,009,201
Administrative	\$322,528
Programs	\$6,958,488
TOTAL	\$11,290,217
BALANCE:	
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$8,424,025
ENDING BALANCE	\$3,173,199

* In July 2002, money was transferred from the trust fund to the state general revenue fund to assist the state in balancing the budget.

Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council: Program grant awards

	2002	2003	2004
Secretary of State Special Audit Teams Program	\$1,060,900	\$1,092,727	\$1,038,351
Motor Vehicle Theft Prosecution Unit	\$609,138	\$628,624	\$589,315
Tri-County Auto Theft Task Force	\$767,466	\$788,984	\$776,624
Metro East Auto Theft Task Force	\$589,172	\$589,172	\$619,176
Kane County Auto Theft Task Force	\$386,375	\$398,383	\$407,608
Northeast Metro Auto Theft Task Force	\$783,756	\$824,044	\$746,345
Insurance Vehicle Expense Fund Program	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$63,590
Motor Vehicle Theft Intelligence Clearinghouse	\$262,978	\$279,330	\$271,554
DuPage County Auto Theft Task Force	\$421,839	\$434,494	\$298,534
Northern Illinois Auto Theft Task Force	\$411,715	\$422,172	\$416,737
Motor Vehicle Theft Investigation Training	\$83,252	\$84,665	\$88,049
Chicago Police Department Vehicle Theft Data Analysis	\$123,954	\$123,954	\$0
State and Local Auto Theft Enforcement	\$92,476	\$246,931	\$311,778
Public Awareness/Innovations/Evaluation	\$394,109	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$6,052,130	\$5,978,480	\$5,627,661

Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Funds SFY 1991 to March 2004*

	SFY 1991	SFY 1992	SFY 1993	SFY 1994	SFY 1995	SFY 1996	SFY 1997
REVENUE							
Insurance company payments	3,679,729	6,477,645	5,187,604	5,269,417	5,306,781	5,427,486	5,554,590
Beat Auto Theft Program revenue	0	0	0	0	1,590	4,625	1,120
Interest on trust fund	0	253,170	328,170	280,204	310,915	263,376	222,737
Subtotal	3,679,729	6,730,815	5,515,774	5,549,621	5,619,286	5,695,487	5,778,447
EXPENDITURES							
Transfers from trust fund	0	(100,000)	0	(736)	0	(11,441)	0
Administrative expenditures	(8,068)	(205,021)	(328,170)	(399,627)	(461,547)	(408,141)	(329,393)
Grantee expenditures	0	(70,000)	(4,944,103)	(6,757,497)	(8,227,976)	(5,779,684)	(5,465,088)
Subtotal	(8,068)	(375,021)	(5,272,273)	(7,157,860)	(8,689,523)	(6,199,266)	(5,794,481)
REVENUES less EXPENDITURES	3,671,661	6,355,794	243,501	(1,608,239)	(3,070,237)	(503,779)	(16,034)
TRUST FUND BALANCE	3,671,661	10,027,455	10,270,956	8,662,717	5,592,480	5,088,701	5,072,667

	SFY 1998	SFY 1999	SFY 2000	SFY 2001	SFY 2002	SFY 2003	SFY 2004**	TOTALS
REVENUE								
Insurance company payments	5,599,576	5,697,892	5,836,878	5,762,127	5,928,202	5,974,212	93,622	71,795,761
Beat Auto Theft Program revenue	250	0	0	0	0	0	0	7,585
Interest on trust fund	240,659	236,526	286,037	343,728	217,782	65,179	17,712	3,066,195
Subtotal	5,840,485	5,934,418	6,122,915	6,105,855	6,145,984	6,039,391	111,334	74,869,541
EXPENDITURES								
Transfers from trust fund	(12,456)	0	(22,766)	11,226	(13,738)	(4,009,201)	(250,000)	(4,409,112)
Administrative expenditures	(268,400)	(179,910)	(151,500)	(254,219)	(335,345)	(322,528)	(113,097)	(3,764,966)
Grantee expenditures	(5,240,955)	(5,325,023)	(5,481,428)	(4,901,941)	(4,621,844)	(6,958,488)	(785,869)	(64,559,896)
Subtotal	(5,521,811)	(5,504,933)	(5,655,694)	(5,144,934)	(4,970,927)	(11,290,217)	(1,148,966)	(72,733,974)
REVENUES less EXPENDITURES	318,674	429,485	467,221	960,921	1,175,057			2,135,567
TRUST FUND BALANCE	5,391,341	5,820,826	6,288,047	7,248,968	8,424,025	3,173,199	2,135,567	

*SFY = State Fiscal Year = July 1 through June 30.

**July 1, 2003 through Dec. 31, 2003.

Numbers in parentheses are negative.

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The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act

20 Illinois Compiled Statutes 4005

4005/1. Short title. This Act shall be known as the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act.

4005/2. Purpose. The purpose of this Act is to prevent, combat and reduce motor vehicle theft in Illinois; to improve and support motor vehicle theft law enforcement, prosecution and administration of motor vehicle theft laws by establishing statewide planning capabilities for and coordination of financial resources.

4005/3. Definitions. As used in this Act:

- (a) "Authority" means the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority.
- (b) "Council" means the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council, established within the Authority by this Act.
- (c) "Trust Fund" means the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund.

4005/4. Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council--Members--Chairman--Terms--Meetings. There is hereby created within the Authority an Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council, which shall exercise its powers, duties and responsibilities independently of the Authority. There shall be 11 members of the Council consisting of the Secretary of State or his designee, the Director of the Department of State Police, the State's Attorney of Cook County, the Superintendent of the Chicago Police Department, and the following 7 additional members, each of whom shall be appointed by the Governor: a state's attorney of a county other than Cook, a chief executive law enforcement official from a jurisdiction other than the City of Chicago, 5 representatives of insurers authorized to write motor vehicle insurance in this State, all of whom shall be domiciled in this State.

The Governor from time to time shall designate the Chairman of the Council from the membership. All members of the Council appointed by the Governor shall serve at the discretion of the Governor for a term not to exceed 4 years. The initial appointed members of the Council shall serve from January 1, 1991 until the third Monday in January, 1995 or until their successors are appointed. The Council shall meet at least quarterly.

4005/5. Compensation of members. Members of the Council shall serve without compensation. All members shall be reimbursed for reasonable expenses incurred in connection with their duties.

4005/6. Personnel. The Executive Director of the Authority shall employ, in accordance with the provisions of the Illinois Personnel Code, such administrative, professional, clerical, and other personnel as may be required and may organize such staff as may be appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this Act.

4005/7. Powers and duties of council. The Council shall have the following powers, duties and responsibilities:

- (a) To apply for, solicit, receive, establish priorities for, allocate, disburse, contract for, and spend funds that are made available to the Council from any source to effectuate the purposes of this Act.
- (b) To make grants and to provide financial support for federal and State agencies, units of local government, corporations, and neighborhood, community and business organizations to effectuate the purposes of this Act.
- (c) To assess the scope of the problem of motor vehicle theft, including particular areas of the State where the problem is greatest and to conduct impact analyses of State and local criminal justice policies, programs, plans and methods for combating the problem.
- (d) To develop and sponsor the implementation of statewide plans and strategies to combat motor vehicle theft and to improve the administration of the motor vehicle theft laws and provide an effective forum for identification of critical problems associated with motor vehicle theft.
- (e) To coordinate the development, adoption and implementation of plans and strategies relating to interagency or intergovernmental cooperation with respect to motor vehicle theft law enforcement.
- (f) To promulgate rules or regulations necessary to ensure that appropriate agencies, units of government, private organizations and combinations thereof are included in the development and implementation of strategies or plans adopted pursuant to this Act and to promulgate rules or regulations as may otherwise be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Act.
- (g) To report annually, on or before April 1, 1992 to the Governor, General Assembly, and, upon request, to members of the general public on the Council's activities in the preceding year.
- (h) To exercise any other powers that are reasonable, necessary or convenient to fulfill its responsibilities, to carry out and to effectuate the objectives and purposes of the Council and the provisions of this Act, and to comply with the requirements of applicable federal or State laws or regulations; provided, however, that such powers shall not include the power to subpoena or arrest.

4005/8. Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund. (a) A special fund is created in the State Treasury known as the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund, which shall be administered by the Executive Director of the Authority at the direction of the Council. All

interest earned from the investment or deposit of monies accumulated in the Trust Fund shall, pursuant to Section 4.1 of the State Finance Act, be deposited in the Trust Fund.

(b) Money deposited in this Trust Fund shall not be considered general revenue of the State of Illinois.

(c) Money deposited in the Trust Fund shall be used only to enhance efforts to effectuate the purposes of this Act as determined by the Council and shall not be appropriated, loaned or in any manner transferred to the General Revenue Fund of the State of Illinois.

(d) Prior to April 1, 1991, and prior to April 1 of each year thereafter, each insurer engaged in writing private passenger motor vehicle insurance coverages which are included in Class 2 and Class 3 of Section 4 of the Illinois Insurance Code, [FN2] as a condition of its authority to transact business in this State, may collect and shall pay into the Trust Fund an amount equal to \$1.00, or a lesser amount determined by the Council, multiplied by the insurer's total earned car years of private passenger motor vehicle insurance policies providing physical damage insurance coverage written in this State during the preceding calendar year.

(e) Money in the Trust Fund shall be expended as follows:

(1) To pay the Authority's costs to administer the Council and the Trust Fund, but for this purpose in an amount not to exceed ten percent in any one fiscal year of the amount collected pursuant to paragraph (d) of this Section in that same fiscal year.

(2) To achieve the purposes and objectives of this Act, which may include, but not be limited to, the following:

(A) To provide financial support to law enforcement and correctional agencies, prosecutors, and the judiciary for programs designed to reduce motor vehicle theft and to improve the administration of motor vehicle theft laws.

(B) To provide financial support for federal and State agencies, units of local government, corporations and neighborhood, community or business organizations for programs designed to reduce motor vehicle theft and to improve the administration of motor vehicle theft laws.

(C) To provide financial support to conduct programs designed to inform owners of motor vehicles about the financial and social costs of motor vehicle theft and to suggest to those owners methods for preventing motor vehicle theft.

(D) To provide financial support for plans, programs and projects designed to achieve the purposes of this Act.

(f) Insurers contributing to the Trust Fund shall have a property interest in the unexpended money in the Trust Fund, which property interest shall not be retroactively changed or extinguished by the General Assembly.

(g) In the event the Trust Fund were to be discontinued or the Council were to be dissolved by act of the General Assembly or by operation of law, then, notwithstanding the provisions of Section 5 of the State Finance Act, any balance remaining therein shall be returned to the insurers writing private passenger motor vehicle insurance in proportion to their financial contributions to the Trust Fund and any assets of the Council shall be liquidated and returned in the same manner after deduction of administrative costs.

4005/12. Repealer. Sections 1 through 9 and Section 11 are repealed January 1, 2008.

(Source: Public Act 86-1408, effective January 1, 1991. Amended by Public Act 89-277, effective August 10, 1995, Public Act 91-85, effective July 9, 1999, and Public Act 93-172, effective July 10, 2003.)



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