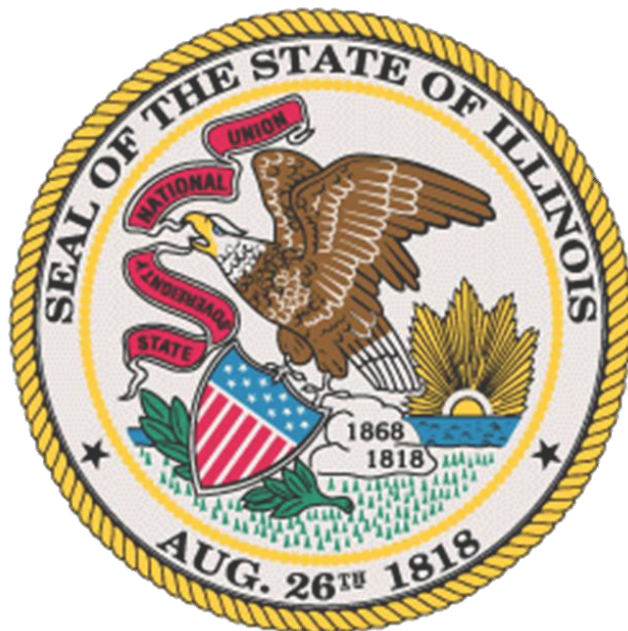


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History of the Council

In 1991, the General Assembly established the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council, an 11-member coalition of representatives from the insurance industry, state's attorneys and law enforcement officers, which was overseen by the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority.

The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act requires insurance companies to pay \$1 into a special trust fund for each private passenger automobile insured for physical damage coverage in Illinois.

Approximately \$6.5 million is collected annually and distributed by the Council for the purpose of reducing vehicle theft, motor vehicle theft-related crimes and insurance fraud in Illinois. The funds are designated to support law enforcement programs that increase investigation and prosecution of vehicle theft-related crimes.

Between 1991 and 2014, the annual number of motor vehicle theft offenses in Illinois dropped 70 percent from 75,214 to 22,854.

In March 2015, the Governor issued Illinois Executive Order 8, which suspended state grants for that fiscal year and led to the suspension of grant contracts issued by the

Council. The ensuing state budget impasse, which lasted through August 2017, did not provide an appropriation for the Council to use monies deposited into the trust fund.

In 2017, the General Assembly passed House Bill 2610 (Senator Munoz/Representative D'Amico), which was signed into law that August and became Public Act 100-0373. The Public Act restructured the Council, changed administrative oversight from the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority to the Illinois Secretary of State's office, and expanded the scope of the Council.

Today the new Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Council remains committed to reducing vehicle theft, motor vehicle theft-related crimes and insurance fraud, but may also consider efforts to deter, investigate and prosecute recyclable metal theft.

In addition to the prevention of vehicle thefts, the trust fund supports the Secretary of State Mandatory Insurance Verification Program, which electronically verifies the status of motor vehicle liability insurance policies and prevents uninsured motorists from renewing their vehicle registrations.

The 11-member Council appoints a 5-member Grant Review Committee to review grant proposals, budgets, and other information that must be brought before the Council in order to award grants and carry out their mission.

MVTPIV Council Members

The following members serve on the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Council:

Jesse White *Illinois Secretary of State*



Jesse White was first elected Illinois Secretary of State in 1998 and is the first African-American to lead the office. Secretary White became Illinois' longest serving Secretary of State, having won 6 consecutive terms since.

Secretary White previously 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. He also spent 33 years as a teacher and administrator with the Chicago Public School system.

Secretary White founded the internationally renowned Jesse White Tumbling Team as a juvenile delinquency prevention program for children residing in Chicago's inner city housing projects. He continues to coach the team, whose members are required to stay in school, maintain a C average and stay away from gangs and drugs.

Secretary White was born in Alton and earned his bachelor's degree from Alabama State College. He served as a paratrooper in the U.S. Army's 101st Airborne Division and was a member of the Illinois National Guard and Army Reserve. He lives on Chicago's Near North Side.

Pete Piazza, Director of the Secretary of State Police Department is Secretary White's designee to the Council.

Honorable Kimberly M. Foxx *Cook County State's Attorney*



Kimberly M. Foxx was elected Cook County State's Attorney in 2016 and is the first African-American woman to lead the office. Prior to being elected state's attorney, Ms. Foxx served as chief of staff for Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle.

As President Preckwinkle's senior advisor and lead strategist, she oversaw a \$4 billion annual budget. She also was the lead architect of the county's criminal justice reform agenda to address racial disparities in the criminal and juvenile justice systems. Her efforts contributed to a significant drop in the Cook County jail population while promoting public safety.

A veteran prosecutor, Ms. Foxx served as an assistant state's attorney in the Cook County State's Attorney's Office for 12 years. She has also served as a guardian ad litem in the Cook County Public Guardian's Office.

Ms. Foxx is a board member at Adler University and Free Spirit Media, where she also served as board president. Ms. Foxx is a former board chair of Planned Parenthood of Illinois and a past president of the National Black Prosecutors Association – Chicago Chapter. She is a member of Leadership Greater Chicago and the Chicago Council of Lawyers.

Born and raised on Chicago's Near North Side in Cabrini Green, Ms. Foxx earned a bachelor's degree in political science from Southern Illinois University (SIU) and a juris doctorate from the SIU School of Law.

Steven Block, Chief of the Special Prosecutions Bureau for the Cook County State's Attorney's Office, served briefly as State's Attorney Foxx's designee to the Council. David Williams, also with the Special Prosecutions Bureau, currently serves as State's Attorney Foxx's designee to the Council.

Leo Schmitz
Director, Illinois State Police



Leo P. Schmitz was appointed director of the Illinois State Police in February 2015. Mr. Schmitz's law enforcement career spans nearly 30 years, dating back to 1986, when he joined Chicago Police Department (CPD) as a police officer.

Director Schmitz was later promoted to work on the Joint Robbery Task Force, a cooperative effort between CPD and the University of Illinois Police Department where he and his partners made over 500 robbery arrests. After being shot twice in 1996 in pursuit of a robbery suspect, whom he also apprehended, Director Schmitz was presented with the Illinois Law Enforcement Medal of Honor by then Governor James Edgar, the Chicago Superintendent's Award of Valor, and the Blue Star Award by the Chicago Police Department.

Director Schmitz quickly rose through the ranks of the CPD and has received numerous awards for his service. In 2009, he was selected to lead CPD's Gang Enforcement Unit, which centralized all 50 district gang teams. His unit was recognized for its success with a Meritorious Citation.

In January 2012, Director Schmitz was assigned to lead Chicago's Englewood District. The district saw a 44-percent drop in homicide his first year and a 14 percent reduction in shootings. In December of 2012, he was

promoted to deputy chief, a role in which he served until his CPD retirement in January 2015.

Steve Lyddon, Chief of Staff for the Illinois State Police, is Director Schmitz's designee to the Council.

Eddie T. Johnson
Superintendent, Chicago Police Department



Eddie Johnson was appointed Chicago Police Department Superintendent in April 2016. Since his appointment, Mr. Johnson has set out to implement systemic reforms around police accountability and transparency and build a culture within the department to strengthen public trust and reduce gun violence.

As superintendent, Mr. Johnson has developed a comprehensive violence reduction strategy which will add nearly 1,000 police officers to the streets of Chicago, invested in technology so officers can police smarter and more effectively, and initiated a comprehensive policy agenda to create a culture of accountability in the criminal justice system for repeat gun offenders that drive the majority of Chicago violence.

Mr. Johnson joined the Chicago Police Department in 1988, serving for the majority of his career within the Detective Division and Gang/Tactical units and Patrol Bureau, where he rose to the rank of chief.

He is a Chicago native who grew up in Cabrini Green and on the city's South Side. He is a member of the Executive Board of NOBLE's Chicago Chapter, the St. Jude Board of Directors, and the Chicago Police Memorial Foundation Assistance Committee.

Mr. Johnson has received a number of policing awards, including department commendations and the Chicago Defender Men of Excellence Award.

Sergeant Keith A. Blair, Commanding Officer of the Major Auto Theft Investigative Unit for the Chicago Police Department, is Superintendent Johnson's designee to the Council.

Brian B. Fengel
Chief, Bartonville Police Department



Brian Fengel has been in law enforcement for 30 years and served as Chief of Police in Bartonville since 1998. He is a graduate of the FBI National Academy and a graduate of Northwestern Illinois University Executive Management Program. He currently serves as President of the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police Board of Directors. He serves on the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board and the Medal of Valor Selection Board through the U.S. Department of Justice. In 2002 he was assigned as a police officer with the Secret Service at the Olympic Village for the Utah Olympics Public Safety Command. He has served on the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Council since 2005.

Honorable Jerry Brady
Peoria County State's Attorney



Jerry Brady was appointed Peoria County State's Attorney in August 2011 and was twice elected to that position, once in 2012 and again in 2016. Brady previously worked as an assistant state's attorney for Peoria County State's Attorney John Barra in traffic, misdemeanor, and felony divisions. After three years, he entered private practice with the law firms of Kelly & Brady,

Brady & Flanagan, and Brady & Donahue. He has experience as a state public defender in felony court and as a federal public defender. He is a member of the Illinois and Peoria County Bar Associations. Brady is a graduate of Bradley University and St. Louis University School of Law.

Larry D. Johnson
Farmers Insurance Group



Larry D. Johnson is a special investigation unit manager responsible for SIU field operations in four states. He began his insurance career in 1985 as a multi-line claims representative in Springfield. He has held multiple positions in claims including claims investigation specialist, field claims supervisor, auto physical damage claims manager and national quality assurance claims consultant. Mr. Johnson has a bachelor's degree from Illinois State University and holds the insurance designations of INS, AIC, and SCLA. He is a member of the National Society of Professional Insurance Investigators.

Dana Popish
Allstate Insurance Company



Dana Popish recently joined Allstate as Regional Counsel. In her role, she provides legislative, regulatory and legal counsel to Allstate's Midwest Region.

Prior to joining Allstate, she served as Senior Policy Advisor to the director of the State of Illinois' shared service agency and Director of Government Relations at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois. Dana also co-founded Government Navigation Group, a lobbying firm focused on municipal and state issues, and maintained a law practice focused on government affairs and regulatory issues.

Dana received her J.D. from Chicago Kent College of Law and her B.A. from the University of Iowa, where she was a member of the Division I Women's Rowing Team. Dana is a member of the Association of Corporate Counsel and Chicago Bar Association, and Minnesota Insurance and Financial Services Counsel and serves on the Board of Directors for the Illinois Insurance Association and Wisconsin Insurance Alliance.

Matt Gall
COUNTRY Financial Insurance Company



Matt Gall is the Special Investigation Unit Manager for COUNTRY Financial and is responsible for the SIU operations for all of the states in which COUNTRY Financial operates. He started working in the insurance industry in 1989 as a claims representative in Northern, Illinois and has worked in the special investigations area of insurance since 1994.

Mr. Gall holds degrees in Criminal Justice and Business Management. He achieved the designations of Certified Insurance Fraud Investigator (CIFI) through the International Association of Special Investigation Units, Certified Fire Investigator (CFI) through the International Association of Arson Investigators (IAAI), and Fraud Claims Law Specialist (FCLS) through the American Education Institute. Mr. Gall is a Firefighter/EMT and he is a member of the National Society of Professional Insurance Investigators.

Todd Feltman
State Farm Insurance Company



Todd Feltman has worked at State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company for 27 years. His current responsibilities include

countrywide responsibilities for reporting automobile liability insurance to various states as well as overseeing non-voluntary insurance markets.

Todd received his B.A. in Business Management from Western Michigan University and he is an insurance industry representative for 26 Governing Committees for auto non-voluntary plans across the country. He obtained his Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter (CPCU) and Chartered Financial Consultant (ChFC) designations. He is also a member of the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA), the Insurance Industry Committee on Motor Vehicle Administration (IICMVA), ACORD and X12 organizations.

Heather Drake
The Auto Club Group



Heather Drake joined the Auto Club Group (ACG) in 1996 and serves as Vice President of Government Relations & Public Relations. Her responsibilities include governmental and regulatory work, in addition to public relations and corporate foundation oversight. Heather directs these activities throughout ACG's footprint, which includes: Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, Tennessee and Wisconsin.

Heather received her J.D. *Cum Laude* from the Thomas M. Cooley Law School and earned a B.A. from Michigan State University, College of James Madison. Heather serves as Chair of the Insurance Alliance of Michigan (IIM), past Chair of IIM's no-fault subcommittee, Chair of IIM's Member Relations subcommittee, member of PCI's Legal and Government Affairs Committee and PCI's Federal Affairs subcommittee, member of the Wisconsin Insurance Alliance, member and past Chair of the Illinois Insurance Association, and many more organizations.

Grant Review Committee Members

Pete Piazza, Chairman
Director, Secretary of State Police

Brian Fengel
Chief, Bartonville Police Department

Larry Johnson
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Budget Analyst

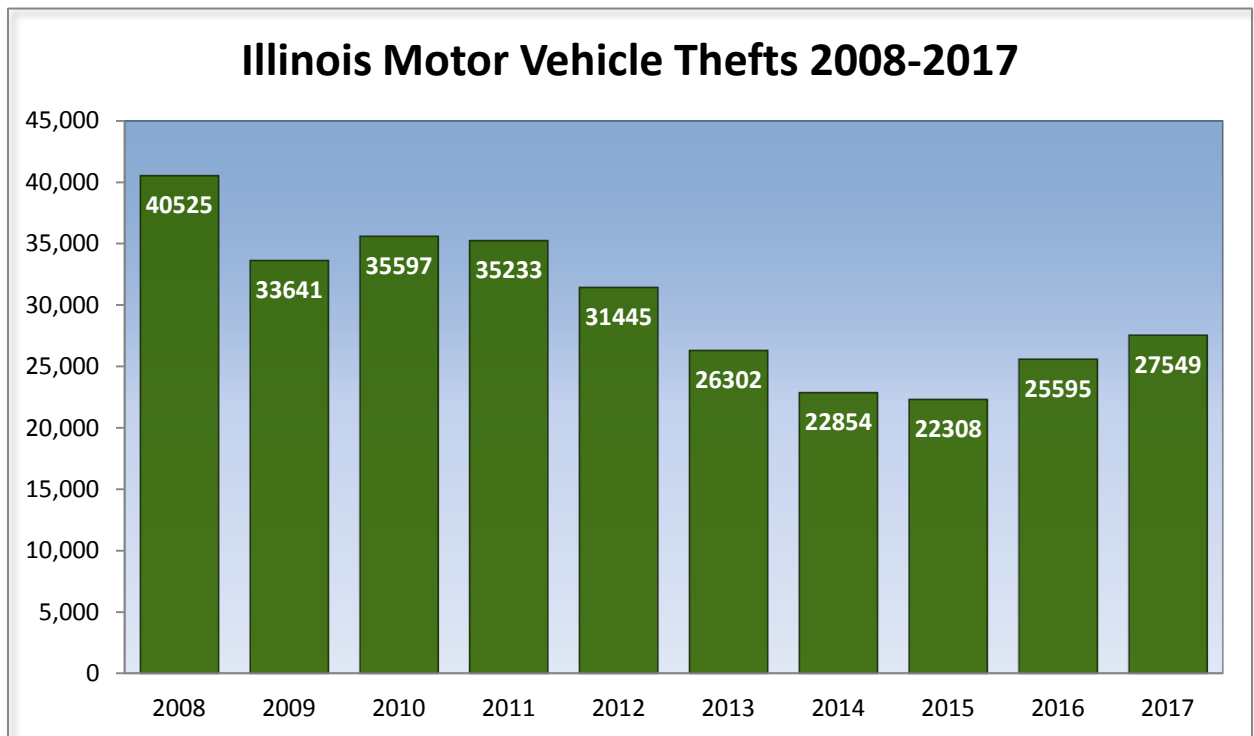
Dave Fuchs
Program Assistant

Statewide Motor Vehicle Theft Trends

The annual number of motor vehicle theft offenses in Illinois has dropped 63%, from 75,214 in 1991 to 27,549 in 2017. Both 2014 and 2015 produced record low levels of motor vehicle theft offenses, having dropped to 22,854 in 2014 and 22,308 in 2015. For nearly the past decade, motor vehicle thefts have been under 40,000 for each consecutive year, which is a greater than 45% reduction since the Council's inception.

While Council supported programming has led to major reductions in motor vehicle theft offenses, it is difficult to not notice the recent trend upward again. 2016 saw a 14% increase in thefts from 22,308 to 25,595. The following year in 2017, there was yet another increase of 7% from 25,595 to 27,549. The long view of Council programming has shown dramatic reductions in motor vehicle theft, despite the periodic increases through the years. However, it is important to note that the most recent increase coincides with a lack of program funding due to Illinois Executive Order 8 and the historic state budget impasse that ensued.

Overall motor vehicle theft trends show a steady decline, but the statistics also show a need for continued law enforcement efforts.

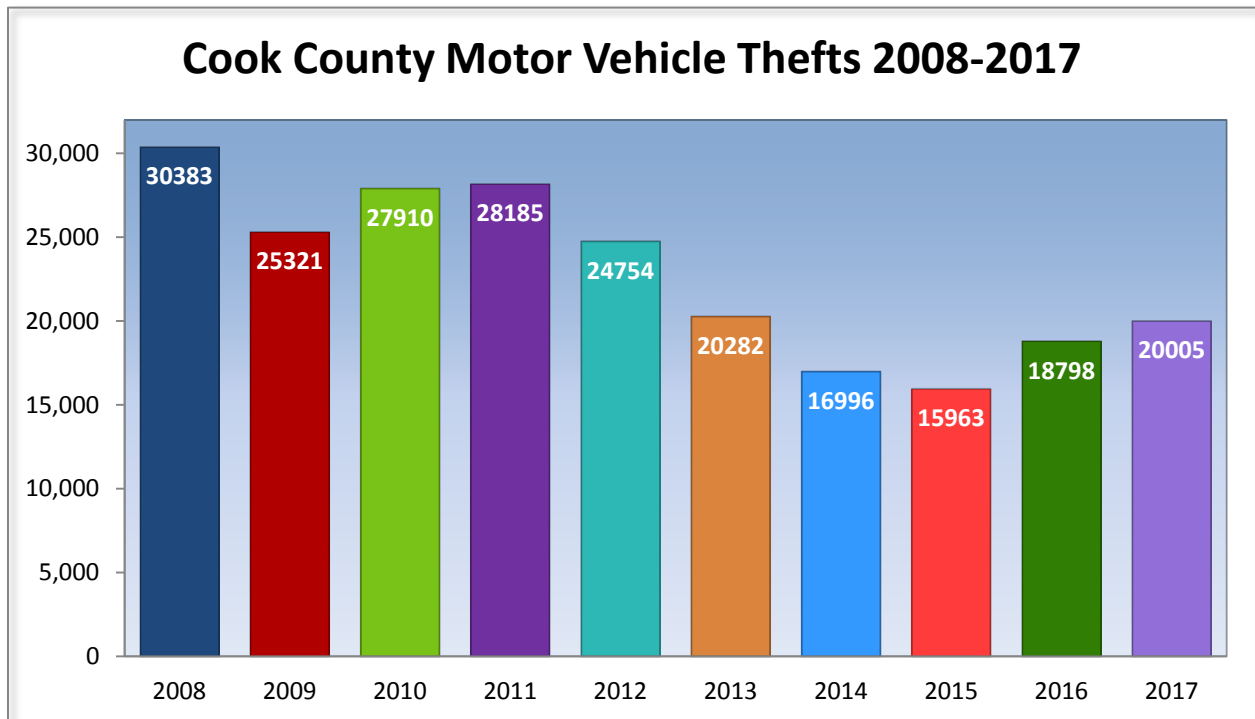


Annual Vehicle Theft, NICB Statistics

Cook County Motor Vehicle Theft Trends

The number of vehicle theft offenses for Cook County in 2017 represented 72% of all thefts in Illinois. Cook County has seen a 35% reduction in vehicle thefts in the past ten years, from 30,383 in 2008 to 20,005 in 2017. It reached an all time low in 2015, with 15,963, but has since seen a 17% increase to 18,798 in 2016 and another 6% increase to 20,005 in 2017.

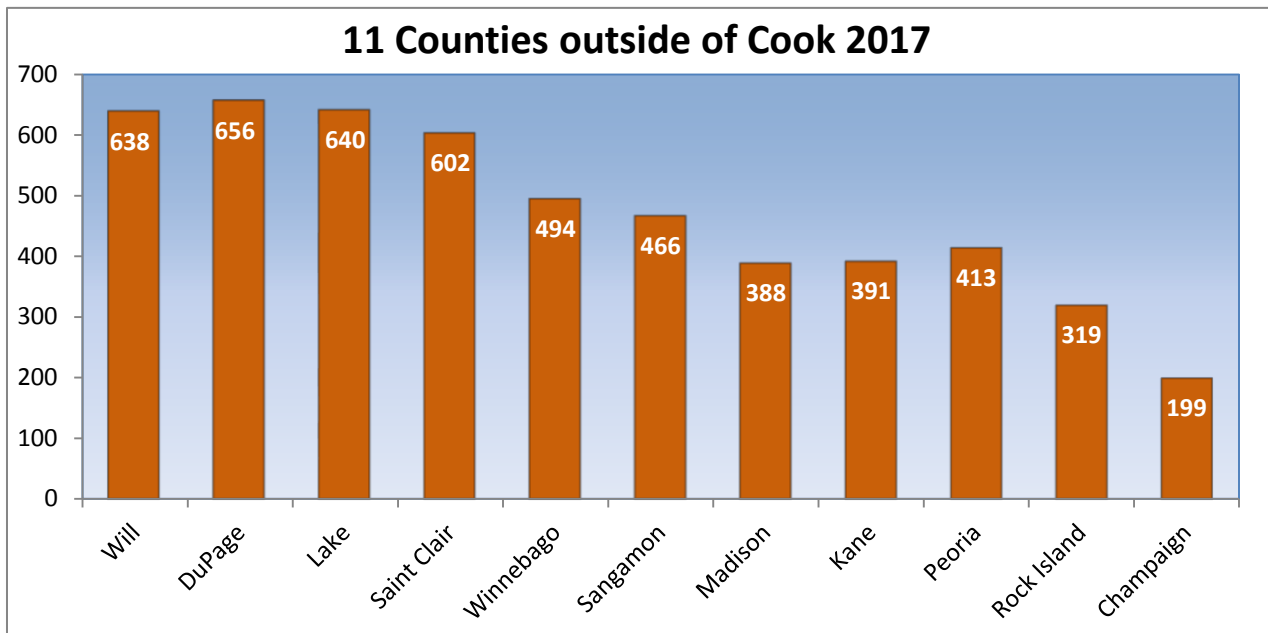
Theft numbers for other years were 16,996 (2014), 20,282 (2013), 24,754 (2012), 28,185 (2011), 27,910 (2010), 25,321 (2009), and 30,383 (2008).



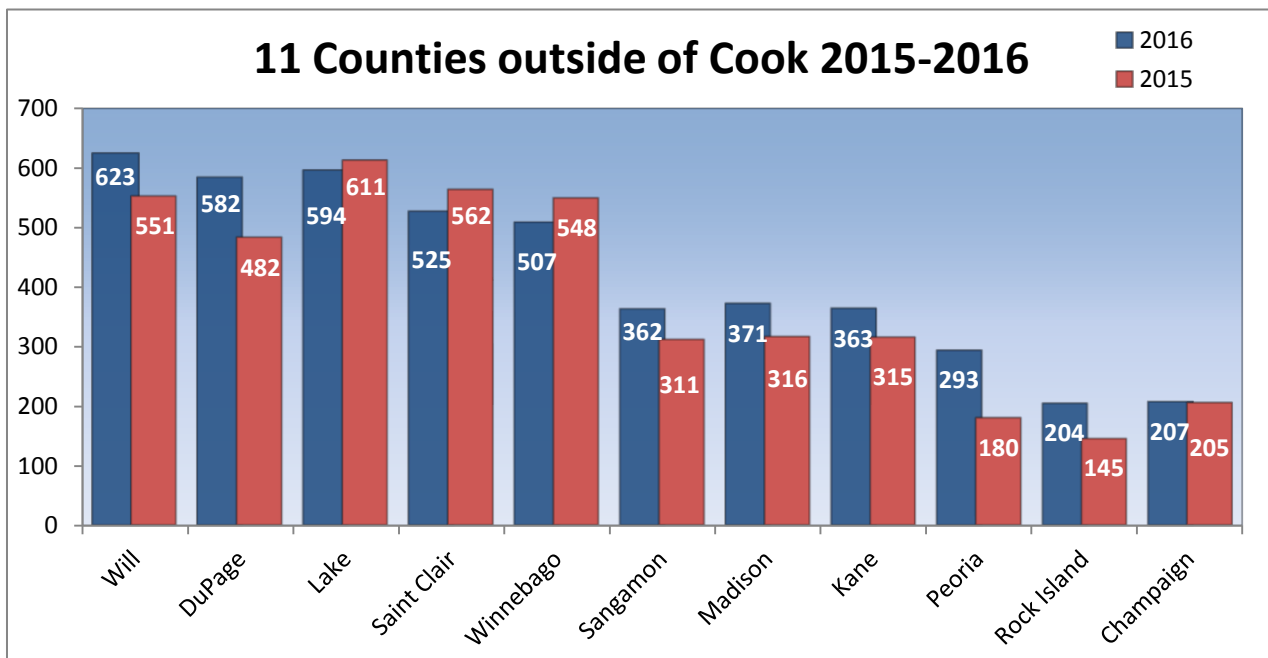
Cook County Vehicle Theft, NICB Statistics

Countywide Motor Vehicle Theft Trends

The eleven counties that saw the most thefts outside of Cook County in 2017 were DuPage (656), Lake (640), Will (638), Saint Clair (602), Winnebago (494), Sangamon (466), Peoria (413), Kane (391), Madison (388), Rock Island (319) and Champaign (199).



County Vehicle Theft 2017, NICB Statistics



County Vehicle Theft 2015-2016, NICB Statistics

Overview of Council Programs and Activity

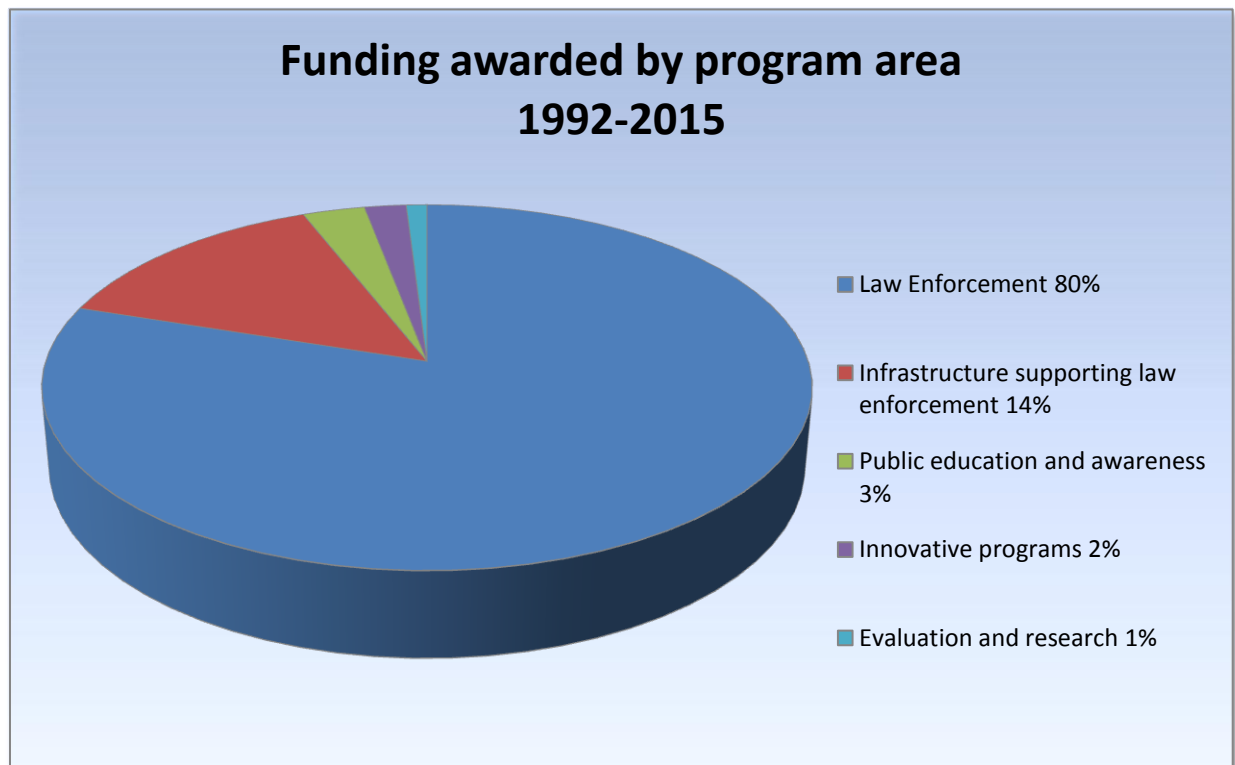
Program Activity

1992-2017

A variety of theft prevention efforts have been supported with Council funding since its inception in 1992. Funding emphasis had been placed upon law enforcement programs that enhanced investigation and prosecution of vehicle theft-related crimes. However, due to the lack of a state budget appropriation, the Council was unable to support programs in Fiscal Year 2016 and Fiscal Year 2017. The budget impasse was not resolved until early Fiscal Year 2018, at which point legislation was passed to change administrative oversight of the Council.

Since 1992, programs funded by the Council expended approximately 133 million dollars. Most funds paid the salaries and benefits of personnel assigned to task forces and special investigative teams in the state. Remaining funds were utilized for equipment, commodities, travel, contractual agreements, and costs not covered by the other categories.

All programs were cooperative partnerships. Nearly all involved considerable support from participating agencies. Illinois State Police and the Secretary of State Police Department assigned task force directors and personnel to these programs and absorbed costs for these personnel. The National Insurance Crime Bureau also had assigned agents to various efforts without requesting compensation. Illinois insurance companies loaned approximately 525 vehicles for use by Council-funded law enforcement programs since the Council began.



Council Activity

2018

In January, the Secretary of State's office assumed administrative oversight of the newly restructured Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Council and appointed 7 additional members for a full 11-member Council. The office endeavored to provide a method for insurance companies to remit payments to the trust fund, which led to the creation of a new MVTPIV website that features an electronic payment system, which will streamline the collection process for those who are required to remit payments annually.

The Council met 4 times throughout 2018: May 9, August 1, November 14 and December 12. Activity was centered upon updating the administrative rules, selecting and voting on a Grant Review Committee, amending the Motor Vehicle Theft Strategy to reflect the new structure and projected funding levels, and instituting a timeframe to begin awarding grants in 2019.

The Council looks toward 2019 with enthusiasm and renewed optimism in creating long-lasting partnerships to combat auto theft that will result in reduced criminal activity, safer communities throughout Illinois, and savings to consumers through reduced insurance premiums.



James R. Thompson Center, May 9, 2018

Financial Statement 2018

Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention & Insurance Verification Council
Statement of revenues, expenditures, and fund balance for State Fiscal Year 2018.
(July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018)

REVENUES:	
Insurance company payments	\$6,887,731
MEATTF vehicle disposition	\$63,870
Interest income	\$173,288
TOTAL	\$7,124,889
EXPENDITURES:	
Statutory transfers from fund	\$6,004,803
Administrative expenditures	\$57,900
SERS overpayment/refund	\$2160
TOTAL	\$6,064,863
BALANCE:	
FY18 Beginning Balance	\$15,302,592
FY18 Ending Balance	\$16,362,618

Fund Totals for State Fiscal Year 2016 to 2018

	SFY 16	SFY17	SFY18
Insurance company payments	\$6,267,788	\$7,123,924	\$6,951,601
Prior year refund	\$25,801	\$108,061	\$0
Investment income	\$15,297	\$77,537	\$173,288
Subtotal	\$6,308,886	\$7,309,522	\$7,124,889
Transfers from fund	\$10,219	\$0	\$6,004,803
Administrative expenditures	\$323,519	\$247,320	\$57,900
Prior year refund	\$0	\$0	\$2160
Subtotal	\$333,738	\$247,320	\$6,064,863
Revenue less Expenditures	\$5,975,148	\$7,062,202	\$1,060,026
TRUST FUND BALANCE	\$8,240,390	\$15,302,592	\$16,362,618

Council Pictures through the Year



James R. Thompson Center, May 9, 2018 – Recognition of ICJIA Staff



Illinois State Library, August 1, 2018



Illinois State Library, November 14, 2018

Thank you to the following companies who contributed to the 2018 Trust Fund!

1st Auto & Casualty Insurance Company	California Casualty General Insurance Company of Oregon
21st Century Centennial Insurance Company	Capitol Indemnity Corporation
21st Century North America Insurance Company	Central Mutual Insurance Company
21st Century Preferred Insurance Company	Charter Indemnity Company
21st Century Premier Insurance Company	Charter Oak Fire Insurance Company
Acuity, A Mutual Insurance Company	Chubb Indemnity Insurance Company
Addison Insurance Company	Chubb National Insurance Company
AIG Property Casualty Company	Cincinnati Insurance Company
Allmerica Financial Alliance Insurance Company	Citizens Insurance Company of America
Allmerica Financial Benefit Insurance Company	Citizens Insurance Company of Illinois
Allstate Fire & Casualty Insurance	Clear Blue Insurance Company
Allstate Indemnity Company	Columbia Mutual Insurance Company
Allstate Insurance Company	Cornerstone National Insurance Company
Allstate Property & Casualty Insurance Company	Country Casualty Insurance Company
Alpha Property & Casualty Insurance Company	Country Mutual Insurance Company
AMCO Insurance Company	Country Preferred Insurance Company
American Access Casualty Company	Crestbrook Insurance Company
American Alliance Casualty Company	Dairyland Insurance Company
American Bankers Insurance Company of Florida	Delphi Casualty Company
American Family Insurance Company	Depositors Insurance Company
American Family Mutual Insurance Company	Economy Fire & Casualty Company
American Freedom Insurance Company	Economy Preferred Insurance Company
American Guarantee and Liability Company	Economy Premier Assurance Company
American Heartland Insurance Company	Electric Insurance Company
American Modern Home Insurance Company	Elephant Insurance Company
American National General Insurance Company	EMCASCO Insurance Company
American National Property & Casualty Company	Employers Mutual Casualty Company
American Standard Insurance Company of Wisconsin	Encompass Home and Auto Insurance Company
American Zurich Insurance Company	Encompass Insurance Company of America
Amica Mutual Insurance Company	Encompass Property & Casualty Company
AmTrust Insurance Company of Kansas, Inc.	Erie Insurance Company
Apollo Casualty Company	Erie Insurance Exchange
Auto Club Insurance Association	Essentia Insurance Company
Automobile Club Inter-Insurance Exchange	Esurance Insurance Company
Auto-Owners Insurance Company	Esurance Property and Casualty Insurance Company
Bankers Standard Ins Co	Falcon Insurance Company
Bristol West Insurance Company	Farmers Automobile Insurance Association

Farmers Mutual Hail Insurance Company of Iowa	Liberty Insurance Corporation
Federal Insurance Company	Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company
Financial Indemnity Company	LM General Insurance Company
First Acceptance Insurance Company, Inc.	LM Insurance Corporation
First Chicago Insurance Company	Loya Insurance Company
First Nonprofit Insurance Company	Madison Mutual Insurance Company
Foremost Insurance Company	Memberselect Insurance Company
Founders Insurance Company	Mendakota Casualty Company
Garrison Property and Casualty Insurance Company	Merastar Insurance Company
GEICO	Mercury Insurance Company of Illinois
GEICO Casualty Company	Meridan Security Insurance Company
GEICO General Insurance Company	Metropolitan Casualty Insurance Company
GEICO Indemnity Company	Metropolitan Direct Property & Casualty Insurance Co.
General Casualty Company of Wisconsin	Metropolitan General Insurance Company
General Casualty Insurance Company	Metropolitan Group Property & Casualty Insurance Company
Goodville Mutual Casualty Company	Metropolitan Property and Casualty Insurance Company
Grange Indemnity Insurance Company	MIC General Insurance Company
Grange Mutual Casualty Company	Midvale Indemnity Company
Great Northern Insurance Company	Midwest Family Mutual Insurance Company
Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance Company	Milbank Insurance Company
Grinnell Select Insurance Company	Milford Casualty Insurance Company
GuideOne Mutual Insurance Company	National General Assurance Company
Harleyville Lake States Insurance Company	National General Insurance Company
Hartford Accident & Indemnity Company	National General Insurance Online, Inc
Hartford Casualty Insurance Company	National Heritage Insurance Company
Hartford Fire Insurance Company	Nationwide Agribusiness Insurance Company
Hartford Insurance Company of Illinois	Nationwide General Insurance Company
Hartford Underwriters Insurance Company	Nationwide Insurance Company Of America
Hastings Mutual Insurance Company	Nationwide Mutual Fire Insurance Company
Horace Mann Insurance Company	Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company
IDS Property Casualty Insurance Co.	Omni Indemnity Company
Illinois Farmers Insurance Company	Owners Insurance Company
IMT Insurance Company	Pacific Indemnity Company
Infinity Insurance Company	Pekin Insurance Company
Insurance Company Of The State Of PA	Permanent General Assurance Corporation
Integon National Insurance Company	Permanent General Assurance Corporation of Ohio
Iowa Mutual Insurance Company	Pharmacists Mutual Insurance Company
Ironshore Indemnity Insurance	Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company
Kemper Independence Insurance Company	Phoenix Insurance Company

Progressive Direct Insurance Company	Travelers Commercial Insurance Company
Progressive Northern Insurance Company	Travelers Home and Marine Insurance Company
Progressive Universal Insurance Company	Travelers Property Casualty Company of America
Property & Casualty Insurance Company of Hartford	Triton Insurance Company
Regent Insurance Company	Trumbull Insurance Company
Response Insurance Company	Trustgard Insurance Company
Riverport Insurance Company	Twin City Fire Insurance Co.
Rockford Mutual Insurance Company	United Automobile Insurance Company
Safe Auto Insurance Company	United Equitable Insurance Company
Safeco Insurance Company of Illinois	United Fire & Casualty Company
Safeway Insurance Company	United Security Health and Casualty Insurance
Secura Insurance, A Mutual Company	United Services Automobile Association
Secura Supreme Insurance Company	Unitrin Auto & Home Insurance Company
Security National Insurance Company	Unitrin Direct Insurance Company
Selective Insurance Company of South Carolina	Unitrin Direct Property & Casualty Company
Sentinel Insurance Company	Unitrin Preferred Insurance Company
Shelter General Insurance Company	Unitrin Safeguard Insurance Company
Shelter Mutual Insurance Company	USAA Casualty Insurance Company
Standard Fire Insurance Company	USAA General Indemnity Insurance Company
Standard Property & Casualty Insurance Company	Victoria Fire & Casualty Company
State Auto Insurance Company	Victoria Select Insurance Company
State Auto Property & Casualty Insurance Company	Vigilant Insurance Company
State Automobile Mutual Insurance Company	Viking Insurance Company of Wisconsin
State Farm Fire and Casualty Company	Wadena Insurance Company
State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company	Wesco Insurance Company
Stillwater Property and Casualty Insurance Company	West Bend Mutual Insurance Company
Technology Insurance Company	Westfield Insurance Company
The First Liberty Insurance Company	Westfield National Insurance Company
The Travelers Indemnity Company	Yosemite Insurance Company
The Travelers Indemnity Company of America	Young America Insurance Company
The Travelers Indemnity Company of CT	Zurich American Insurance Company
Travelers Casualty Insurance Company of America	

Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act (Public Act 100-0373)

Section 15. The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Act is amended by changing Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 8.5, and 12 as follows:

(20 ILCS 4005/1) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 1301) (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2020)

Sec. 1. This Act shall be known as the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Act. (Source: P.A. 86-1408.)

(20 ILCS 4005/2) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 1302) (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2020)

Sec. 2. 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 and insurance verification laws by establishing statewide planning capabilities for and coordination of financial resources. (Source: P.A. 86-1408.)

(20 ILCS 4005/3) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 1303) (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2020)

Sec. 3. As used in this Act:

(a) ~~(Blank)~~, "Authority" means the Illinois Criminal Justice Information Authority.

(b) "Council" means the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Council, ~~established within the Authority by this Act.~~

(b-2) "Director" means the Director of the Secretary of State Department of Police.

(b-5) "Police" means the Secretary of State Department of Police.

(b-7) "Secretary" means the Secretary of State.

(c) "Trust Fund" means the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Trust Fund. (Source: P.A. 86-1408.)

(20 ILCS 4005/4) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 1304) (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2020)

Sec. 4. There is hereby created ~~within the Authority~~ an Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification 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 Secretary of State ~~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 Director ~~Governor from time to time shall be designate~~ the Chairman of the Council ~~from the membership~~. All members of the Council appointed by the Secretary ~~Governor~~ shall serve at the discretion of the Secretary ~~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. (Source: P.A. 89-277, eff. 8-10-95.)

(20 ILCS 4005/6) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 1306) (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2020)

Sec. 6. The Secretary ~~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. (Source: P.A. 86-1408.)

(20 ILCS 4005/7) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 1307) (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2020)

Sec. 7. 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, to deter and investigate recyclable metal theft, and to law enforcement agencies to assist in the prosecution of recyclable metal theft.

(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 ~~adopt 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 ~~adopt promulgate~~ rules or regulations as may otherwise be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this Act.

(g) To report annually, on or before January 1, 2019 ~~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, rules, or regulations; provided, however, that these such powers shall not include the power to subpoena or arrest.

(i) To provide funding to the Secretary for the creation, implementation, and maintenance of an electronic motor vehicle liability insurance policy verification program. (Source: P.A. 86-1408.)

(20 ILCS 4005/8) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 1308) (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2020)

Sec. 8.

(a) A special fund is created in the State Treasury known as the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Trust Fund, which shall be administered by the Secretary ~~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, 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 ~~Secretary's Authority's~~ costs to administer the Council and the Trust Fund, but for this purpose in an amount not to exceed ~~10% 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.
- (3) To provide funding to the Secretary's Vehicle Services Department for the creation, implementation, and maintenance of an electronic motor vehicle liability insurance policy verification program by allocating no more than 75% of each dollar collected for the first calendar year after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 100th General Assembly and no more than 50% of each dollar collected for every other year after the first calendar year. The Secretary shall distribute the funds to the Vehicle Services Department at the beginning of each calendar year.
- (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. (Source: P.A. 88-452; 89-277, eff. 8-10-95.)

(20 ILCS 4005/8.5) (Section scheduled to be repealed on January 1, 2020)

Sec. 8.5. State Police Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund. The State Police Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund is created as a trust fund in the State treasury. The State Treasurer shall be the custodian of the Trust Fund. The Trust Fund is established to receive funds from the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Council. All interest earned from the investment or deposit of moneys accumulated in the Trust Fund shall be deposited into the Trust Fund. Moneys in the Trust Fund shall be used by the Department of State Police for motor vehicle theft prevention purposes. (Source: P.A. 97-116, eff. 1-1-12.)

(20 ILCS 4005/12)

Sec. 12. Repeal. Sections 1 through ~~9 and Section 11~~ are repealed January 1, ~~2025 2020~~. (Source: P.A. 99-251, eff. 1-1-16.)

Section 20. The State Finance Act is amended by changing Sections 5 and 5.295 as follows:

(30 ILCS 105/5) (from Ch. 127, par. 141)

Sec. 5. Special funds.

(a) There are special funds in the State Treasury designated as specified in the Sections which succeed this Section 5 and precede Section 6.

(b) Except as provided in the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Act, when any special fund in the State Treasury is discontinued by an Act of the General Assembly, any balance remaining therein on the effective date of such Act shall be transferred to the General Revenue Fund, or to such other fund as such Act shall provide. Warrants outstanding against such discontinued fund at the time of the transfer of any such balance therein shall be paid out of the fund to which the transfer was made.

(c) When any special fund in the State Treasury has been inactive for 18 months or longer, the fund is automatically terminated by operation of law and the balance remaining in such fund shall be transferred by the Comptroller to the General Revenue Fund. When a special fund has been terminated by operation of law as provided in this Section, the General Assembly shall repeal or amend all Sections of the statutes creating or otherwise referring to that fund. The Comptroller shall be allowed the discretion to maintain or dissolve any federal trust fund which has been inactive for 18 months or longer.

(d) (Blank).

(e) (Blank).

(Source: P.A. 90-372, eff. 7-1-98.)

(30 ILCS 105/5.295) (from Ch. 127, par. 141.295)

Sec. 5.295. The Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Trust Fund. (Source: P.A. 86-1408; 86-1475.)

Section 25. The Illinois Vehicle Code is amended by changing Sections 4-109, 7-604, and 7-607 and by adding Section 7-603.5 as follows:

(625 ILCS 5/4-109)

Sec. 4-109. Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Program. The Secretary of State, in conjunction with the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Council, is hereby authorized to establish and operate a Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Program as follows:

(a) Voluntary program participation.

(b) The registered owner of a motor vehicle interested in participating in the program shall sign an informed consent agreement designed by the Secretary of State under subsection (e) of this Section indicating that the motor vehicle registered to him is not normally operated between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. The form and fee, if any, shall be submitted to the Secretary of State for processing.

(c) Upon processing the form, the Secretary of State shall issue to the registered owner a decal. The registered owner shall affix the decal in a conspicuous place on his motor vehicle as prescribed by the Secretary of State.

(d) Whenever any law enforcement officer shall see a motor vehicle displaying a decal issued under the provisions of subsection (c) of this Section being operated upon the public highways of this State between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m., the officer is authorized to stop that motor vehicle and to request the driver to produce a valid driver's license and motor vehicle registration card if required to be carried in the vehicle. Whenever the operator of a motor vehicle displaying a decal is unable to produce the documentation set forth in this Section, the police officer shall investigate further to determine if the person operating the motor vehicle is the registered owner or has the authorization of the owner to operate the vehicle.

(e) The Secretary of State, in consultation with the Director of the Department of State Police and Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Council, shall design the manner and form of the informed consent agreement required under subsection (b) of this Section and the decal required under subsection (c) of this Section.

(f) The Secretary of State shall provide for the recording of registered owners of motor vehicles who participate in the program. The records shall be available to all law enforcement departments, agencies, and forces. The Secretary of State shall cooperate with and assist all law enforcement officers and other agencies in tracing or examining any questionable motor vehicles in order to determine the ownership of the motor vehicles.

(g) A fee not to exceed \$10 may be charged for the informed consent form and decal provided under this Section. The fee, if any, shall be set by the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Council and shall be collected by the Secretary of State and deposited into the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Trust Fund.

(h) The Secretary of State, in consultation with the Director of the Department of State Police and the Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention and Insurance Verification Council shall promulgate rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of this Section.

(Source: P.A. 88-128; 88-684, eff. 1-24-95.)

(625 ILCS 5/7-603.5 new)

Sec. 7-603.5. Electronic verification of a liability insurance policy.

(a) The Secretary may implement a program of electronic motor vehicle liability insurance policy verification for motor vehicles subject to Section 7-601 of this Code for the purpose of verifying whether or not the motor vehicle is insured. The development and implementation of the program shall be consistent with the standards and procedures of a nationwide organization whose primary membership consists of individual insurance companies and insurance trade associations. The program shall include, but is not limited to:

(1) a requirement that an insurance company authorized to sell motor vehicle liability insurance in this State shall make available, in a format designated by the Secretary that is consistent with a nationwide organization whose primary membership consists of individual insurance companies and insurance trade organizations, to the Secretary for each motor vehicle liability insurance policy issued by the company the following information:

(A) the name of the policy holder;

(B) the make, model, year, and vehicle identification number of the covered motor vehicle;

(C) the policy number;

(D) the policy effective date;

(E) the insurance company's National Association of Insurance Commissioner's number; and

(F) any other information the Secretary deems necessary to match an eligible vehicle with an insurance policy;

(2) a method for searching motor vehicle liability insurance policies issued and in effect in this State by using the information under paragraph (1) of this subsection (a);

(3) a requirement that at least twice per calendar year, the Secretary shall verify the existence of a liability insurance policy for every registered motor vehicle subject to Section 7-601 of this Code; and if the Secretary is unable to verify the existence of a liability insurance policy, the Secretary shall, by U.S. mail or electronic mail, send the vehicle owner a written notice allowing the vehicle owner 30 calendar days to provide proof of insurance on the date of attempted verification, or to provide proof that the vehicle is no longer operable;

(4) a requirement that a vehicle owner who does not provide proof of insurance or proof of an inoperable vehicle under paragraph (3) of this subsection (a) shall be in violation of Section 7-601 of this Code and the Secretary shall suspend the vehicle's registration and the owner shall pay any applicable reinstatement fees and shall provide proof of insurance before the Secretary may reinstate the vehicle's registration under Section 7-606 of this Code;

(5) a requirement that if a vehicle owner provides proof of insurance on the date of the attempted verification under paragraph (3) of this subsection (1), the Secretary may verify the vehicle owner's response by furnishing necessary information to the insurance company. Within 7 calendar days of receiving the information, the insurance company shall confirm and notify the Secretary the dates of the motor vehicle's insurance coverage. If the insurance company does not confirm coverage for the date of attempted verification, the Secretary shall suspend the vehicle's registration and the owner of the vehicle shall pay any applicable reinstatement fees and shall provide proof of insurance before the Secretary may reinstate the vehicle's registration under Section 7-606 of this Code;

(6) a requirement that the Secretary may consult with members of the insurance industry during the implementation of the program, including, but not limited to, during the drafting process for adopting any rules that may be necessary to implement or manage an electronic motor vehicle liability insurance policy verification program;

(7) a requirement that commercial lines of automobile insurance are excluded from the program, but may voluntarily report insurance coverage to the State.

(b) In addition to the semi-annual verification of liability insurance under subsection (a) of this Section, the Secretary may select monthly verification for a motor vehicle owned or registered by a person:

(1) whose motor vehicle registration during the preceding 4 years has been suspended under Section 7-606 or 7-607 of this Code;

(2) who, during the preceding 4 years, has been convicted of violating Section 3-707, 3-708, or 3-710 of this Code while operating a vehicle owned by another person;

(3) whose driving privileges have been suspended during the preceding 4 years;

(4) who, during the preceding 4 years, acquired ownership of a motor vehicle while the registration of the vehicle under the previous owner was suspended under Section 7-606 or 7-607 of this Code; or

(5) who, during the preceding 4 years, has received a disposition of court supervision under subsection (c) of Section 5-6-1 of the Unified Code of Corrections for a violation of Section 3-707, 3-708, or 3-710 of this Code.

(c) Nothing in this Section provides the Secretary with regulatory authority over insurance companies.

(d) The Secretary may contract with a private contractor to carry out the Secretary's duties under this Section.

(e) Any information collected, stored, maintained, or referred to under this Section shall be used solely for the purpose of verifying whether a registered motor vehicle meets the requirements of Section 7-601 of this Code and shall be exempt from a records request or from inspection and copying under the Freedom of Information Act. A request for release of verification of liability insurance policy information from the Secretary shall require a court order, subpoena, or the motor vehicle owner's approval.

(f) An insurer identified by an electronic motor vehicle liability insurance policy program as insuring less than 1,000 vehicles per year shall be exempt from the reporting requirements under subsection (a) of this Section.

(g) The Secretary may adopt any rules necessary to implement this Section.

(625 ILCS 5/7-604) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 7-604)

Sec. 7-604. Verification of liability insurance policy.

(a) The Secretary of State may select random samples of registrations of motor vehicles subject to Section 7-601 of this Code, or owners thereof, for the purpose of verifying whether or not the motor vehicles are insured. In addition to such general random samples of motor vehicle registrations, the Secretary may select for verification other random samples, including, but not limited to registrations of motor vehicles owned by persons: whose motor vehicle registrations during the preceding 4 years have been suspended pursuant to Section 7-606 or 7-607 of this Code;

(2) who during the preceding 4 years have been convicted of violating Section 3-707, 3-708 or 3-710 of this Code while operating vehicles owned by other persons;

(3) whose driving privileges have been suspended during the preceding 4 years;

(4) who during the preceding 4 years acquired ownership of motor vehicles while the registrations of such vehicles under the previous owners were suspended pursuant to Section 7-606 or 7-607 of this Code; or

(5) who during the preceding 4 years have received a disposition of supervision under subsection (c) of Section 5-6-1 of the Unified Code of Corrections for a violation of Section 3-707, 3-708, or 3-710 of this Code.

(b) Upon receiving certification from the Department of Transportation under Section 7-201.2 of this Code of the name of an owner or operator of any motor vehicle involved in an accident, the Secretary may verify whether or not at the time of the accident such motor vehicle was covered by a liability insurance policy in accordance with Section 7-601 of this Code.

(c) In preparation for selection of random samples and their verification, the Secretary may send to owners of randomly selected motor vehicles, or to randomly selected motor vehicle owners, requests for information about their motor vehicles and liability insurance coverage. The request shall require the owner to state whether or not the motor vehicle was insured on the verification date stated in the Secretary's request and the request may require, but is not limited to, a statement by the owner of the names and addresses of insurers, policy numbers, and expiration dates of insurance coverage.

(d) Within 30 days after the Secretary mails a request, the owner to whom it is sent shall furnish the requested information to the Secretary above the owner's signed affirmation that such information is true and correct. Proof of insurance in effect on the verification date, as prescribed by the Secretary, may be considered by the Secretary to be a satisfactory response to the request for information. Any owner whose response indicates that his or her vehicle was not covered by a liability insurance policy in accordance with Section 7-601 of this Code shall be deemed to have registered or maintained registration of a motor vehicle in violation of that Section. Any owner who fails to respond to such a request shall be deemed to have registered or maintained registration of a motor vehicle in violation of Section 7-601 of this Code.

(e) If the owner responds to the request for information by asserting that his or her vehicle was covered by a liability insurance policy on the verification date stated in the Secretary's request, the Secretary may conduct a verification of the response by furnishing necessary information to the insurer named in the response. The insurer shall within 45 days inform the Secretary whether or not on the verification date stated the motor vehicle was insured by the insurer in accordance with Section 7-601 of this Code. The Secretary may by rule and regulation prescribe the procedures for verification.

(f) No random sample selected under this Section shall be categorized on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, physical or mental disability, economic status or geography.

(g) (Blank).

(h) This Section shall be inoperative upon of the effective date of the rules adopted by the Secretary to implement Section 7-603.5 of this Code. (Source: P.A. 98-787, eff. 7-25-14; 99-333, eff. 12-30-15 (see Section 15 of P.A. 99-483 for the effective date of changes made by P.A. 99-333); 99-737, eff. 8-5-16.)

(625 ILCS 5/7-607) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 7-607)

Sec. 7-607. Submission of false proof - penalty. If the Secretary determines that the proof of insurance submitted by a motor vehicle owner under Section 7-603.5, 7-604, 7-605 or 7-606 of this Code is false, the Secretary shall suspend the owner's vehicle registration. The Secretary shall terminate the suspension 6 months after its effective date upon payment by the owner of a reinstatement fee of \$200 and submission of proof of insurance as prescribed by the Secretary. All fees collected under this Section shall be disbursed under subsection (g) of Section 2-119 of this Code. (Source: P.A. 99-127, eff. 1-1-16.)