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### **ILLINOIS STATE POLICE TO CONDUCT OCCUPANT RESTRAINT ENFORCEMENT PATROLS**

Downers Grove, IL – Illinois State Police (ISP) Troop 15 Commander Linda Mandat announces the ISP will conduct an Occupant Restraint Enforcement Patrol (OREP) in DuPage and Will counties on June 26, 2023. OREPs allow the ISP to focus on safety belt and child safety seat laws. Illinois law requires all vehicle passengers (front and back) to be buckled up.

Safety belts are still one of the most effective safety devices in vehicles, estimated to save nearly 14,000 lives each year. Half of vehicle occupants killed in a traffic crash were not properly buckled up. The objective of this program is to increase occupant restraint compliance through education, child seat inspections and enforcement.

**“Click It or Ticket”**

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