



ILLINOIS MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT PREVENTION COUNCIL 2016 ANNUAL REPORT

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combating motor vehicle theft and related
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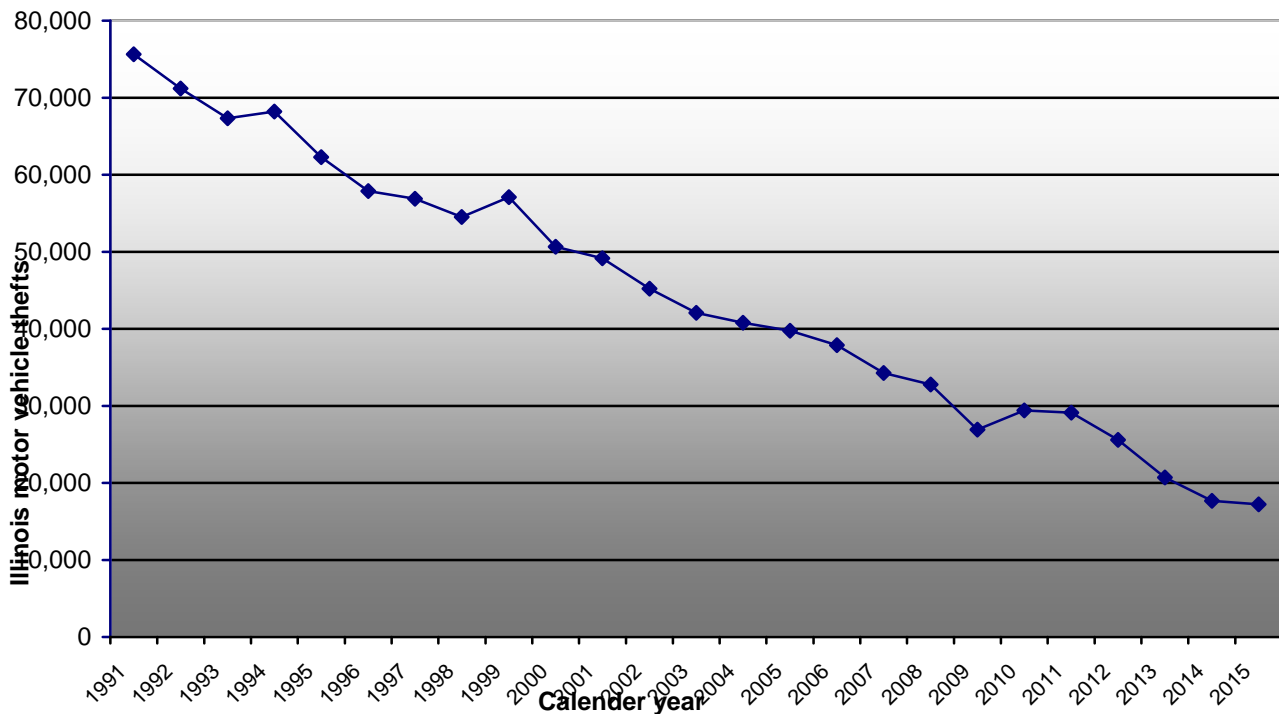
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Illinois Motor Vehicle Thefts 1991-2015



The Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention 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. 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 \$1 into a special trust fund for each private passenger automobile insured for physical damage coverage. About \$6.5 million are annually collected and distributed by the Council. The funds are designated to support law enforcement programs that increase investigation and prosecution of vehicle theft-related crimes.

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

Council members

The following members serve on the Illinois Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention 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 of 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.

Honorable Jerry Brady *Peoria County State's Attorney*

Jerry Brady was appointed Peoria County State's Attorney in August 2011 and elected to that position in 2012. Prior to his appointment, Brady 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.

Brian B. Fengel

Chief, Bartonville Police Department

Brian B. Fengel has been Bartonville Police Chief since 1998. He began his career with the Bartonville Police Department as an officer in 1990. He is a graduate of the 201st Session of the FBI National Academy. He served as a police officer assigned with the Secret Service at the 2002 Olympic Games in Salt Lake City, Utah.

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.

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. He received a bachelor’s degree from Governors State University and is expecting his master’s degree in public policy and administration with a specialization in public safety and national security from Northwestern University in 2017.

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. He 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, Mr. Schmitz was presented with the Illinois Law Enforcement Medal of Honor by then-Gov. James Edgar, the Chicago Superintendent's Award of Valor, and the Blue Star Award by the Chicago Police Department. Mr. 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, Mr. 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.

Jesse White

Illinois Secretary of State

Jesse White was first elected Illinois Secretary of State in 1998. Mr. White served as Cook County Recorder of Deeds from 1992 to 1998. Before being elected as recorder of deeds, he served in the Illinois General Assembly for 16 years. Sydney Roberts of the Secretary of State Police Department is Mr. White's designee to the Council.

Grant Review Committee

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Council Secretary
Nancy Determann, *Accountant*
Luisa Salazar, *Grant Monitor*
Gregory Stevens, *Program Director*

Motor vehicle theft trends in Illinois

Vehicle thefts decline

The annual number of motor vehicle theft offenses in Illinois has dropped 77 percent, from 75,642 in 1991 to 17,214 in 2014. Between 1991 and 2015, the vehicle theft rate declined 80 percent, from 656 to 134 offenses per 100,000 persons.

Figure 1 shows the number of vehicle theft offenses in each county in 2015. Cook County vehicle thefts represented 73 percent of all vehicle thefts in Illinois. Outside of Cook County, which recorded 12,547 thefts, the 10 counties that saw most vehicle thefts were Winnebago (618), St. Clair (428), Lake (368), Will (358), DuPage (338), Sangamon (251), Kane (239), Champaign (196), Madison (187), and Peoria (184).

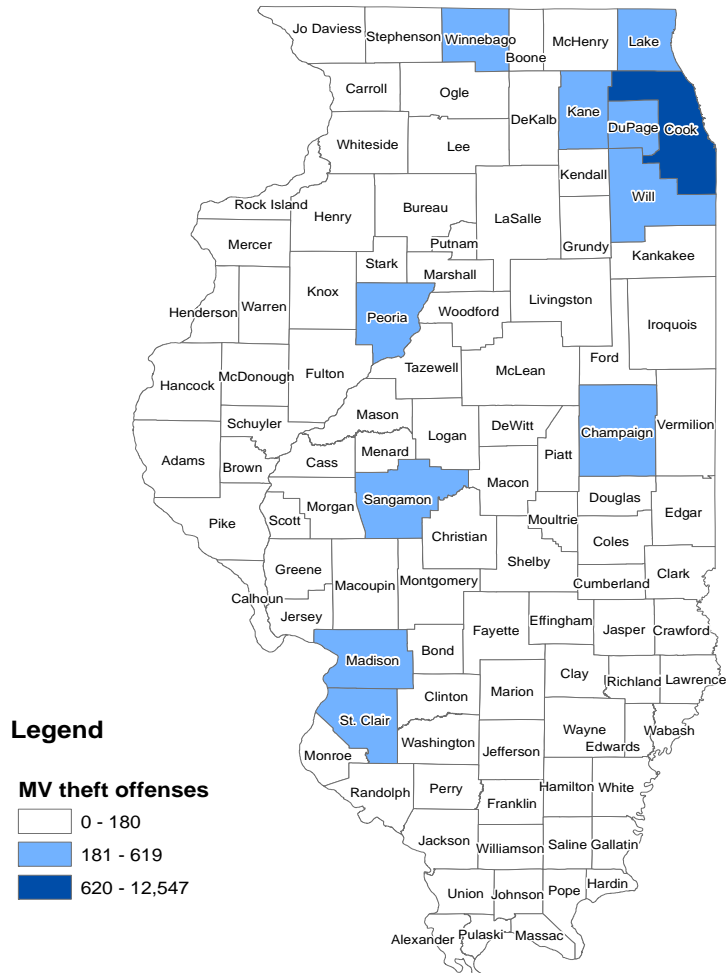
Vehicle theft recoveries

The Illinois Law Enforcement Agencies Data System showed in 2016, 77 percent of the vehicles stolen across the state were recovered.

Vehicle theft arrest and incarceration

In 2015, 3,837 arrests were made for vehicle theft in Illinois and in SFY15, 660 persons, or 1.4 percent of the Illinois prison population, were incarcerated for motor vehicle theft.

Figure 1
2015 motor vehicle theft offenses



Overview of Council programs 1992-2016

Due to the lack of a state budget appropriation, the Council was unable to support programming in 2016, but a variety of theft prevention efforts have been supported with MVTPC funding since the Council's inception in 1992. Funding emphasis had been placed upon law enforcement programs that enhanced investigation and prosecution of vehicle theft-related crimes (*Figure 2*).

Since 1992, programs funded by the Council expended approximately \$133 million. Most funds paid the salaries and fringe benefits of personnel assigned to task forces and special investigative teams in the state (*Figure 3*). 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.

Figure 2
Funding awarded by program area
1992-2015

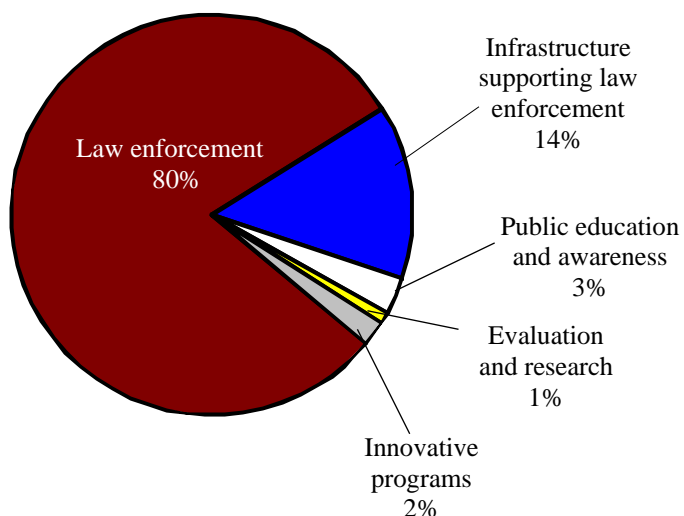


Figure 3
Program expenditures
1992-2015

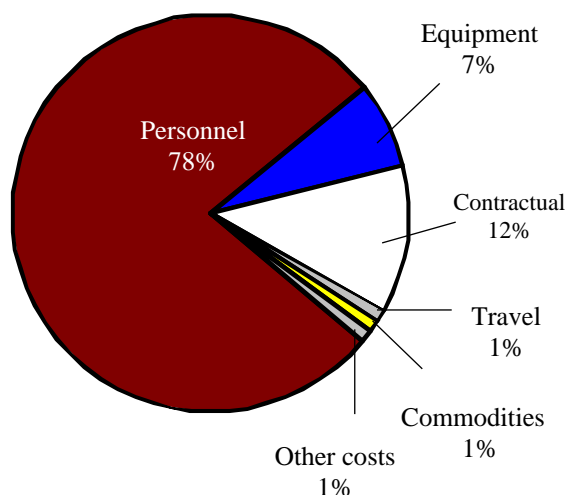
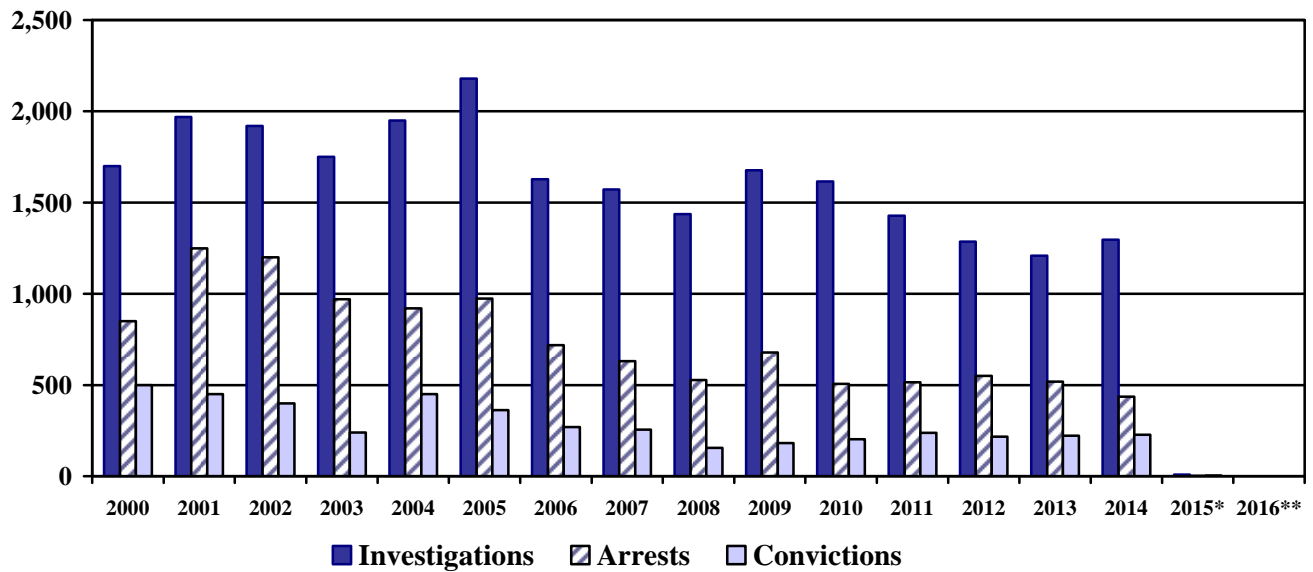


Figure 4 shows the number of task force conducted investigations, arrests and convictions from 2000-2016. One Council-funded task force operated for one month in 2015 before state grant programs were halted by executive order.

Figure 4
Task force program activity
2000-2016



*Grants were suspended on February 8, 2015

**No appropriation to support programing

Source: Task Force Monthly Performance Reports

Financial statement 2016

Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund

Statement of revenues, expenditures, and fund balance for state fiscal year 2016.
(July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016)

REVENUES:	
Insurance company payments	\$6,258,549
Interest income	\$15,309
TOTAL	\$6,273,858

EXPENDITURES:	
Transfers from trust fund	\$10,219
Administrative	\$280,918
Programs/refunds from grantees ¹	\$(25,790)
TOTAL	\$265,347

BALANCE:	
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$2,246,083
ENDING BALANCE	\$8,254,594

Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund totals SFY91 to SFY16

	SFY 1991 - 2012	SFY 2013	SFY 2014	SFY 2015	SFY 2016	TOTALS
Insurance company payments	128,941,836	6,524,017	6,620,438	6,736,022	6,258,561	155,081,120
Beat Auto Theft Program revenue	7,585	0	0	0	0	7,585
Interest on trust fund	3,735,781	17,334	17,240	20,692	15,297	3,806,098
Subtotal	132,685,202	6,541,351	6,637,678	6,756,714	6,273,858	158,894,803
Transfers from trust fund	(6,929,466)	0	(68,152)	(5,992,625)	(10,219)	(13,000,462)
Administrative expenditures	(6,171,692)	(450,652)	(473,301)	(461,299)	(273,306)	(7,837,862)
Grantee expenditures	(113,193,492)	(6,396,995)	(6,601,816)	(3,635,372)	25,790	(129,801,885)
Subtotal	(126,294,650)	(6,847,647)	(7,143,269)	(10,089,296)	(257,735)	(150,640,209)
Revenue less Expenditures	6,390,552	(306,296)	(505,591)	(3,332,582)	6,016,123	8,254,594
TRUST FUND BALANCE	6,390,552	6,084,256	5,578,665	2,246,083	8,254,594	

Note: Figures in parentheses are negative

¹ Funds distributed during the fiscal year may differ from the total award received.

A special thanks to the 2016 Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Trust Fund contributors

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Addison Insurance Company
AIG Casualty Company
Allied Property & Casualty Insurance Co.
Allmerica Financial Alliance Insurance Co.
Allmerica Financial Benefit Insurance Co.
Allstate Fire & Casualty Insurance Company
Allstate Indemnity Company
Allstate Insurance Company
Allstate Property & Casualty Insurance Co.
Alpha Property & Casualty Insurance Co.
AMCO Insurance Company
American Access Casualty Company
American Bankers Insurance Co. of Florida
American Family Insurance Company
American Family Mutual Insurance Co.
American Freedom Insurance Company
American Guarantee & Liability Ins. Co.
American Heartland Insurance Company
American Modern Home Insurance Co.
American National General Insurance Co.
American National Property & Casualty Co.
American Standard Insurance of Wisconsin
American Zurich Insurance Company
Amica Mutual Insurance Company
Apollo Casualty Company
Auto Club Family Insurance Company
Auto Club Insurance Association
Auto Owners Insurance Company
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Badger Mutual Insurance Company
Bankers Standard Insurance Company
Bristol West Insurance Company
California Casualty Gen. Ins. Co. of Oregon
Capitol Indemnity Corporation
Central Mutual Insurance Company
Charter Indemnity Company
Charter Oak Fire Insurance Company
Chubb Indemnity Insurance Company
Chubb National Insurance Company
Cincinnati Insurance Company
Citizens Insurance Company of America
Citizens Insurance Company of Illinois
Columbia Mutual Insurance Company
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Country Casualty Insurance Company
Country Mutual Insurance Company
Country Preferred Insurance Company
Crestbrook Insurance Company
Cumis Insurance Society, Inc.
Dairyland Insurance Company
Delphi Casualty Company
Depositors Insurance Company
Direct Auto Insurance Company
Economy Fire & Casualty Company
Economy Preferred Insurance Company
Economy Premier Assurance Company
Electric Insurance Company
Elephant Insurance Company
EMC Property & Casualty Company
Emcasco Insurance Company
Employers Mutual Casualty Company
Encompass Home and Auto Insurance Co.
Encompass Insurance Company of America
Encompass Property & Casualty Company
Equity Insurance Company
Essentia Insurance Company
Esurance Insurance Company
Esurance Property and Casualty Ins. Co.
Falcon Insurance Company
Farmers Mutual Hail Insurance Co. of Iowa
Federal Insurance Company
Financial Indemnity Company
Fireman's Fund Insurance Company
First Acceptance Insurance Company
First Chicago Insurance Company
First Liberty Insurance Corporation
First Nonprofit Insurance Company
Florists' Mutual Insurance Company
Foremost Insurance Company
Founders Insurance Company
Garrison Property & Casualty Insurance Co.
Geico Casualty Company
Geico General Insurance Company
Geico Indemnity Company
General Casualty Company of Illinois
General Casualty Company of Wisconsin
Goodville Mutual Casualty Company
Government Employees Insurance Co.
Grange Indemnity Insurance Company
Grange Mutual Casualty Company
Great Northern Insurance Company
Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance Company
Grinnell Select Insurance Company
GuideOne Mutual Insurance Company
Hallmark Insurance Company
Harleysville Lake States Insurance Co.
Hartford Accident & Indemnity Company
Hartford Casualty Insurance Company
Hartford Fire Insurance Company
Hartford Insurance Company of Illinois
Hartford Underwriters Insurance Company
Hastings Mutual Insurance Company
Horace Mann Insurance Company
Horace Mann Property & Casualty Ins.
IDS Property Casualty Insurance Company
Illinois Emcasco Insurance Company
Illinois Farmers Insurance Company
IMT Insurance Company
Infinity Insurance Company
Insurance Company of the State of PA
Integon National Insurance Company
Iowa Mutual Insurance Company
Ironshore Indemnity Inc.
Kemper Independence Insurance Company
Liberty Insurance Corporation
Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company
Lighthouse Casualty Company
LM General Insurance Company
LM Insurance Corporation
Loya Insurance Company
Madison Mutual Insurance Company
Member Select Insurance Company
Mendakota Insurance Company
Merastar Insurance Company
Mercury Insurance Company of Illinois
Meridian Security Insurance Company
Metropolitan Casualty Insurance Company
Metropolitan General Insurance Company
Metropolitan Group Property & Casualty
Metropolitan Property & Casualty Company
Midwest Family Mutual Insurance Co.
National General Assurance Company
National General Insurance Company
National General Insurance Online Inc.
National Heritage Insurance Company
National Surety Corporation
Nationwide Agribusiness Insurance Co.
Nationwide Assurance Company
Nationwide Insurance Company of America
Nationwide Mutual Fire Insurance Company
Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company
Omni Indemnity Company
Owners Insurance Company
Pacific Indemnity Company
Permanent General Assurance Company
Permanent General Assurance Co. of OH
Pharmacists Mutual Insurance Company
Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company
Phoenix Insurance Company
Plaza Insurance Company
Progressive Direct Insurance Company
Progressive Northern Insurance Company
Progressive Universal Ins. Co. of Illinois
Property & Casualty Insurance of Hartford
Response Insurance Company
Response Worldwide Insurance Company
Rockford Mutual Insurance Company
Rubicon Insurance Company
Safe Auto Insurance Company
Safeco Insurance Company of Illinois
Sagamore Insurance Company
Secura Insurance
Secura Supreme Insurance Company
Selective Insurance Co. of South Carolina
Sentinel Insurance Company
Shelter General Insurance Company
Shelter Mutual Insurance Company
St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Co.
St. Paul Mercury Insurance Company
Standard Fire Insurance Company
Standard Mutual Insurance Company
State Auto Property & Casualty Insurance
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Stillwater Property & Casualty Ins. Co.
Teachers Insurance Company
Technology Insurance Company
Travelers Casualty Insurance Co. of America
Travelers Commercial Insurance Company

Travelers Home & Marine Insurance Co.
Travelers Indemnity Company
Travelers Indemnity Company of American
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Travelers Property Casualty Co. of America
Trumbull Insurance Company
Trustgard Insurance Company
Twin City Fire Insurance Company
United Automobile Insurance Company
United Equitable Insurance Company
United Fire & Casualty Company
United Services Automobile Association
United States Liability Insurance Company
Unitrin Auto & Home Insurance Company
Unitrin Direct Insurance Company
Unitrin Direct Property & Casualty Co.
Unitrin Preferred Insurance Company
USAA Casualty Insurance Company
USAA General Indemnity Company
Utica Mutual Insurance Company
Victoria Fire and Casualty Company
Victoria Select Insurance Company
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Viking Insurance Company of Wisconsin
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Wesco Insurance Company
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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 promote and support motor vehicle theft law enforcement, prosecution and administration of motor vehicle theft laws by establishing statewide 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 power, 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 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 designated 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, 2016. P.A. 97-141, eff. 7-14-11.

(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. Amended by Public Act 95-0212, effective January 1, 2008)

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