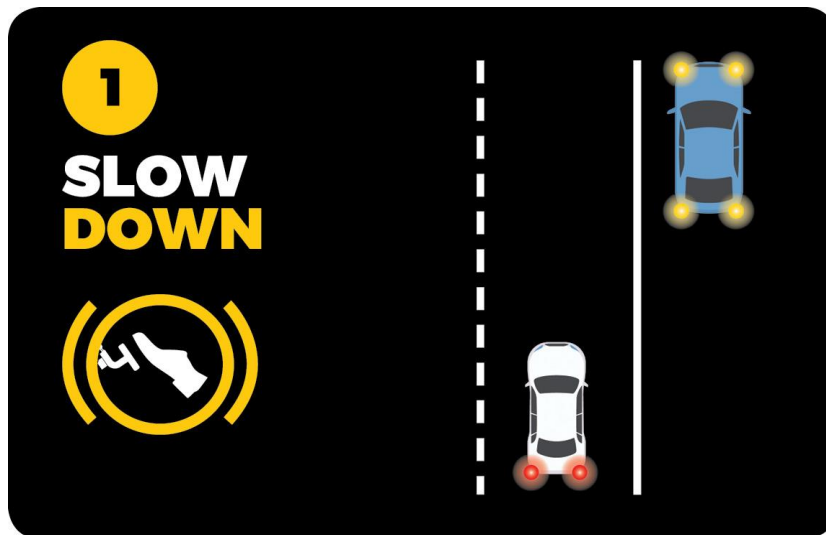


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What is Scott's Law?

All 50 states have a version of the "Move Over" Law in place

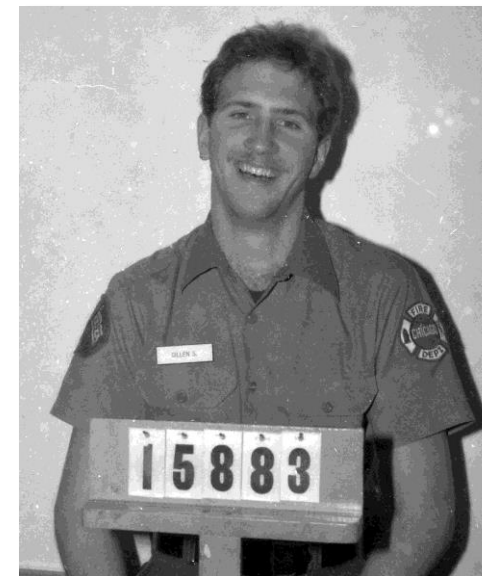
Scott's Law is Illinois' "Move Over" Law. It requires drivers to **slow down** and **change lanes** safely when approaching **ANY** vehicle on the side of the road with its hazard lights on.



Why was Scott's Law created?

In 2000, Chicago Fire Department Lieutenant Scott Gillen was struck and killed while assisting at the scene of another accident. Sadly, this is not an isolated incident.

Illinois' Scott's Law was enacted in 2002 to help protect first responders stopped on the roadside, which is one of the most dangerous parts of their jobs.



Images by Chicago Fire Department

Expansion of Scott's Law

Scott's Law was expanded in 2017 to protect everyday drivers like you. The law now applies not only to emergency and maintenance vehicles, but **ANY** vehicle stopped on the side of the road with lights flashing.



**EMERGENCY
PERSONNEL**



**EVERYDAY
DRIVERS**



**ROADWAY
WORKERS**

Why was Scott's Law expanded?

- Scott's Law was expanded to protect the everyday driver.
- More than 1,000 traffic-related fatalities have occurred in Illinois in each of the last two years.
- Roadside accidents are preventable. You can **save lives** by slowing down and changing lanes.



Screenshot of a CBS Chicago website article. The header includes the CBS 2 logo and "CBS Chicago" text, with a "CBS 2 ON AIR" button. The main headline reads "Illinois' Number Of Traffic Deaths In 2017 Surpasses 1,000" and the date is "January 4, 2018".



Screenshot of a WTMJ-TV Milwaukee website article. The header includes the "TODAY'S NEWS" logo and "WTMJ-TV MILWAUKEE" text, with a "MENU" button and a weather icon showing "81". The main headline reads "Driver fails to follow Move Over Law, hits another vehicle [VIDEO]" and the byline is "BY: Tess Klein" with the date "POSTED: 4:40 PM, Sep 7, 2018".



Screenshot of a mystateline.com website article. The header includes the "mystateline.com" logo and "Rockford 83°" weather information, with a "News" section. The main headline reads "Illinois State Police raise alarm as traffic fatalities rise in 2018" and the date is "Updated: Aug 28, 2018 06:21 PM CDT". Below the headline are social media sharing icons (Google+, Facebook, Twitter, Email, Print) and a video player thumbnail showing a police officer and a car with the text "Illinois State Police raise alarm as traffic fatalities rise in 2018".

Consequences of Violating Scott's Law



Drivers who fail to comply face serious penalties

- Up to a \$10,000 fine
- 2-Year suspension of driving privileges
- Jail time, in extreme cases



*"I was on my way to pick up my little sister from O'Hare when my tire blew out and I had to pull over. My car was shaking as most drivers kept speeding past in the next lane over. I thought for sure someone was going to hit me. Thankfully, I was on the Tollway, so I dialed *999 and a HELP truck operator arrived in just a few minutes to make sure I was safe."*

- Sara Stefansson, 23, Downers Grove, IL



"Most of our workdays are spent on the side of the road, assisting motorists and making sure our roadways are clear of debris. Every time a car whips right past me, I'm thinking about my wife and kids. What if I don't make it home to them? One careless driver could change my family's lives and end mine in the blink of an eye."

- Illinois Tollway H.E.L.P. Truck Worker

What should I do if I'm stopped on the side of the road?

If you find yourself stopped on the shoulder for emergencies or car problems, the Illinois State Police asks that you:

- **Activate hazard lights**
- **Stay in vehicle** with seat belts on
- **Call for roadside assistance**, *999 if on the Tollway system
- **Wait for an emergency vehicle** to arrive on the scene to assist

What is Give Them Distance?



Give Them Distance is a road safety initiative spearheaded by the Illinois Tollway and other state transportation and public safety leaders aimed at raising awareness of the importance of Scott's Law.



JOIN THE MOVEMENT!



Join the Movement for Safer Roads

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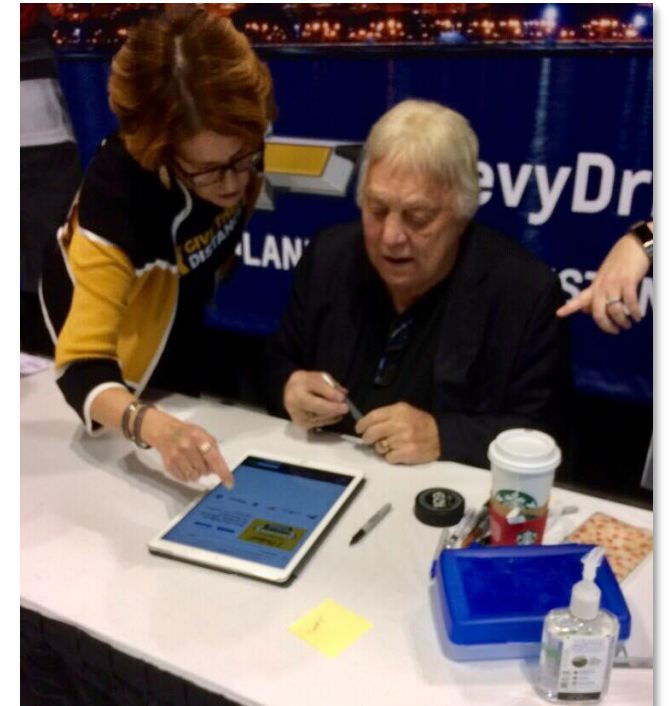
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