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ILLINOIS STATE POLICE SQUAD CAR STRUCK ON I-88

ISP Experiences 2nd Move Over Law-Related Crash of 2026

CHICAGO – An Illinois State Police (ISP) squad car was damaged on I-88 when it was struck by another vehicle during a traffic crash investigation.

On January 8, 2026, at approximately 7:34 p.m., an ISP Trooper was pulled over on the left shoulder of I-88 eastbound near milepost 135 with their emergency lights activated investigating a single vehicle rollover crash. A Tollway Maintenance truck was also on scene positioned behind the ISP squad car assisting with recovery of the crashed vehicle. A black Acura passenger car failed to slow down while negotiating a curve and spun out, striking both the Tollway Maintenance truck's towed unit and the passenger side of the Trooper's squad car. Both vehicles sustained minor damage. The Trooper and Tollway Maintenance driver were each inside of their vehicles at the time of the crash, but reported no injuries. The driver of the Acura was transported to an area hospital with injuries and was issued several traffic citations, including a Scott's Law citation. The investigation is ongoing.

In 2026, ISP has suffered 2 Move Over Law-related crashes. In 2025, ISP reported 14 Move Over Law-related crashes with seven Troopers injured. In 2024, ISP had 12 Move Over Law-related crashes with one death. ISP reminds the public the Move Over Law, also known as "Scott's Law" in Illinois, requires all drivers to move over when approaching an emergency vehicle or any vehicle with its emergency or hazard lights activated.

A person who violates the Move Over Law faces a fine of no less than \$250 and no more than \$10,000 for a first offense. If the violation results in injury to another person, the violator's driver's license will be suspended for a mandatory period of anywhere between six months and two years. Additional information about ISP related crashes can be found at the following link: <https://isp.maps.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/340d57cd956c453da2de25af804c268d>.



Passenger side damage of Troop 3 squad car and Tollway Maintenance Vehicle Unit
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