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Do You Know About "Scott's Law"? If you drive any vehicle, you should....

Scott's law is sometimes referred to as the "move over" law. If you see any police car or other emergency vehicle stopped along the side of the road with its emergency lights flashing, you must:

- Change lanes if you can.
- Reduce your speed.
- Proceed with due caution.

When approaching the police car or emergency vehicle, you need to proceed with caution. If possible and it is safe to do so, you are required to change lanes when on a 4-lane highway. You must leave one lane between you and the police car. If changing lanes is not possible or vou are not on a 4-lane road, you should reduce your speed maintaining a safe speed for road conditions.

A violation of this law can result in the suspension of your driver's license and a substantial fine.

Scott's Law was named after a Lieutenant with the Chicago Fire Department who was struck and killed by a drunk driver. The Lieutenant was helping a motorist on the side of the Dan Ryan Expressway.

Remember: "Move Over" if possible!!!

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