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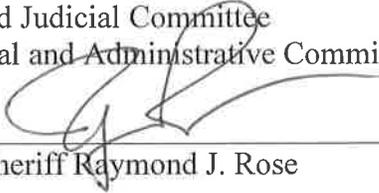
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**DATE:** September 23, 2016

**TO:** Law and Judicial Committee  
Financial and Administrative Committee

**FROM:**   
Undersheriff Raymond J. Rose

**REFERENCE:** **Emergency Appropriation – Illinois Department of Transportation Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) Grant for Fiscal Year 2016 - 2017**

As part of our efforts to increase public safety the Sheriff's Office has again applied for and received an Illinois Department of Transportation Sustained Traffic Enforcement (STEP) Grant for Fiscal Year 2016 – 2017 in the amount of \$102,243.20. The grant may be used to reimburse the Sheriff's Office for overtime costs associated with the program and for equipment, such as breathalyzers, etc. needed for enforcement. This year's grant will be used to reimburse salary line item 101-3001110-45020 for the cost of operating this program, no equipment will be purchased.

The STEP program has been successful in increasing public roadway safety. Enforcement details look to take drunk drivers off the road and increases drivers and passenger's safety by enforcing seat belt regulations. This year's program requires seven mandatory enforcement campaigns and proposes two optional campaigns that the Sheriff's Office will participate in. Each campaign requires that we announce when enforcement will take place and that we release the results of each enforcement via a press release.

The Fiscal Year 2015 – 2016 campaigns have been successful and have resulted in a total of 1,405 citations being issued, 325 of the violations were for seat belts and 50 DUI arrests. The Sheriff's Office will continue to apply for STEP Grants if they are offered.