



**ILLINOIS STATE POLICE**  
*Office of the Director*

JB Pritzker  
Governor

July 10, 2024

Brendan F. Kelly  
Director

The Honorable JB Pritzker  
Governor of Illinois  
207 State House  
Springfield, Illinois 62706

Dear Governor Pritzker:

In accordance with the Tamara Clayton Expressway Camera Act, 605 ILCS 140/5, by June 30 of each year, the Illinois State Police, the Illinois Department of Transportation, and the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority shall issue a joint report to the General Assembly detailing the program operations of the Expressway Camera Act. The report is to contain the cost of installation of cameras by county, the cost of ongoing maintenance of the camera systems per county, including electrical costs and data transfer costs, the number of inquiries where the investigation involved the criminal offenses, and the number of incidents in which law enforcement searched the stored data for the criminal offenses.

The enclosed report is submitted in response to this legislative requirement. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions pertaining to this information.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "B F Kelly".

Brendan F. Kelly  
Director

Enclosure

cc: Senate Minority Leader John Curran  
Senate President Don Harmon  
House Minority Leader Tony McCombie  
House Speaker Emanuel "Chris" Welch



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#### **Expressway Camera Act Annual Report July 1, 2023- June 30, 2024 (FY24)**

##### **Overview:**

Beginning January 1, 2020, the Tamara Clayton Expressway Camera Act was enacted in Illinois. The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) provided the Illinois State Police (ISP) with a grant to purchase automated license plate reader (ALPR) cameras and equipment to help investigate expressway shootings. The cameras are authorized to be used in the investigations of offenses involving vehicular hijackings, aggravated vehicular hijackings, terrorism, motor vehicle theft, or any forcible felonies, including, but not limited to, offenses involving the use of a firearm; to detect expressway hazards, highway conditions, and to facilitate highway safety and incident management. At the end of December 2022, 289 ALPR cameras were installed in Cook County (I-90 Kennedy, I-290 Eisenhower, I-55 Stevenson, I-94 Dan Ryan, Bishop Ford, and I-57). The cameras were strategically located in high violent crime areas, where shootings, aggravated vehicular hijackings, or firearms trafficking occurred.

On June 6, 2022, Governor J.B. Pritzker signed an extension of the Tamara Clayton Act, which meant installing cameras in 21 more counties in Illinois and Jean-Baptiste Pointe DuSable Lake Shore Drive in Chicago. An additional \$20 million will be used from the IDOT Road Fund to purchase more cameras and equipment. The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority has also partnered with the ISP by buying and installing its ALPR cameras in strategic tollway locations.

From December 2022 to June 30, 2023, 59 more cameras were installed including 26 in Cook County and 33 in St. Clair County. From July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2024, 50 more cameras were installed. Cook County received 23 cameras, St. Clair County 19 cameras, Champaign County 4 cameras, and Morgan County 4 cameras. The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority did not install any new cameras from July 2023 to June 2024.

The expansion of ALPR cameras will be on DuSable Lake Shore Drive (Chicago) and in Boone, Bureau, Champaign, DeKalb, DuPage, Grundy, Henry, Kane, Kendall, Lake, LaSalle, Macon, Madison, McHenry, Morgan, Peoria, Rock Island, Sangamon, St. Clair, Will, and Winnebago counties.

##### **Functionality:**

An ALPR camera is designed to capture an image of a vehicle's rear license plate. The software then compares the license plate number against law enforcement databases such as the National Crime Information Center (NCIC), the Law Enforcement Agency Data System (LEADS), the Illinois



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Secretary of State (SOS), and National Amber Alerts. An ALPR “alert” occurs when a vehicle’s license plate number has been positively compared to the abovementioned vehicles listed in the databases.

#### **Program:**

All the data collected through the ALPR cameras are stored on the Law Enforcement Archival Reporting Network (LEARN). In 2023, Motorola renamed LEARN and is now called VehicleManager. Per policy, ISP Troopers and Investigators have been trained to access and use VehicleManager from Vigilant Solutions Software. The ALPR system, software, associated databases, and data will be the sole property of the ISP and are intended for use in law enforcement and public safety functions.

The ISP will continue to manage the program from a deployment perspective, while IDOT will provide funding and procurement assistance.

#### **Statistics:**

##### **Cost of Installation**

Champaign County	\$111,488.65
Cook County	\$619,732.72
Morgan County	\$115,843.05
St. Clair County	\$1,605,752.43

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##### **Cost of Yearly Maintenance**

Champaign County	\$0
Cook County	\$52,505.09
Morgan County	\$0
St. Clair County	\$0

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##### **Total Detections (Number of license plate reads captured by the system)**

2,207,552,927

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**Number of detections related to a criminal offense (Hits correlating to a Law Enforcement Database)**

72,484,857

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**Number of law enforcement incidents searched within the stored data (Inquiries made by law enforcement related to a hit captured in the data)**

304,606