Help Law Enforcement Officers Understand you better with the “J88” Notation

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The “J88” Notation on the Illinois Driver’s License for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community

“J88” is a notation on the driver’s license that may alert law enforcement before approaching a vehicle that a motorist is deaf or hard of hearing, so the officer can be prepared to use alternative communications.

How it works:
• Request the “J88” notation be added to your driver’s license at any Secretary of State Driver Services facility. “J88” will appear on both the front and back of your driver’s license. (See reverse side.)
• Include your driver’s license number on your vehicle registration renewal. This will allow law enforcement to access your driving record before approaching your vehicle and provide notice that alternative communication is necessary.
• You must request the “J88” notation. Secretary of State personnel will not ask you to add the notation on your driver’s license.