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## **Kansas Seatbelt Enforcement Period Set**

'Click it. Or ticket.' crackdown details to be announced at Topeka news conference

**TOPEKA, Kan.** – Kansas law enforcement officers will be <u>working overtime</u> later this month to enforce the state's primary seatbelt law. Details will be announced at a <u>news conference</u> at the Topeka Law Enforcement Center Thursday, May 9 at 10:30 a.m.

In addition, a state employee and a college student will tell personal car crash stories. The state employee was <u>uninjured</u> in a dramatic crash in which she was properly belted. As a teen, the college student was <u>paralyzed</u> in a crash in which she was not restrained. A trauma center nurse will share eye-opening seatbelt use data as well.

Speakers and officials will answer questions about the Kansas law under which vehicles can be stopped if seatbelts are not being worn. Sheriff Jones will discuss issues in Shawnee County's traffic corridor and how traffic law enforcement is helping catch individuals involved in more serious crimes.

WHO: Shawnee County Sheriff Herman Jones; Ginger Park of the Kansas Department of

Health and Environment; college student Heather Tice, and Jenny Scheve, R.N.

**WHAT:** KDOT "Click it. Or Ticket." enforcement mobilization details.

**WHEN:** 10:30 a.m., Thursday, May 9.

WHERE: Topeka Law Enforcement Center, 320 S. Kansas Ave., Topeka, Kan.

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