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The Voorhees Police Department would like to remind motorists of New Jersey's "Move Over" law. Last evening, Voorhees Police Officer Jack Kluk initiated a motor vehicle stop on State Highway Route 73 for an equipment violation. Officer Kluk elected to approach the vehicle from the passenger side to speak with the driver. This decision in turn may have saved his life, as his patrol vehicle was side swiped by a passing commercial vehicle. The vehicle did stop as a result of the crash. We are thankful to report that nobody was injured.

New Jersey's "Move Over" law requires that all motorists approaching a stationary, authorized emergency vehicle, tow truck, highway maintenance or other emergency service vehicle that is displaying a flashing, blinking or alternating red, blue, amber or yellow light, or, any configuration of lights containing one of these colors, must safely change lanes, safety and traffic conditions permitting, into a lane not adjacent to the authorized vehicle.

If a lane change is impossible, prohibited by law or unsafe, the motorist must reduce the speed of his/her vehicle to a reasonable and proper speed that is lower than the posted speed limit and be prepared to stop, if necessary.

Motorist who violate this law face a fine of not less than \$100.00 and not more than \$500.00.

For more information about this, please contact Captain Carmen Del Palazzo.