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National DUI Crackdown Underway

(ANCHORAGE, Alaska) – The Alaska State Troopers along with many other local law enforcement agencies are participating in the 2009 Nationwide DUI Crack Down. Federal dollars funneled through the Alaska Office of Highway Safety provide departments the ability to put more troopers and police officers on Alaska’s roadways to combat impaired drivers.

The Alaska Bureau of Highway Patrol will have all three of its units in various locations in the state. Detachment patrol troopers will also participate in the crackdown.

In Alaska, if a motorist has a blood alcohol level of .08 or higher they are driving impaired. Some motorists can be considered impaired at a lower blood alcohol level. AST encourages anyone who is drinking to think twice before operating any motorized vehicle. Also, in Alaska a motorist can get a DUI for being under the influence of prescription drugs or controlled substances. If you are impaired, hand over your keys to a responsible licensed driver or stay put until you no longer have drugs or alcohol in your system.

AST asks that if you suspect another motorist is driving impaired or putting others at risk due to aggressive and unsafe driving to call in a **REDDI** report. **Report Every Dangerous Driver Immediately** by calling 911.