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# BMV Warns Customers of New Scam Text Messages

**Customers should be aware the BMV will never ask for overdue payments over text messages.**

**Indianapolis, Ind. -** October 29, 2025 -The Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) wants to warn its customers of new text message scams that are now strongly mimicking the BMV's mobile website and improperly citing Indiana Code.

The latest scam text reads:

**Watch Out for These Signs:**

- Payment requests for traffic violations or unpaid tolls  
*The BMV does not collect these fees.*
- Urgent requests for payment
- URL not ending in .gov.

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- Urgent requests for payment
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These messages should be considered fraudulent. We urge the public to:

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- Ignore these messages
- Do not click on any links
- Delete the message immediately

In recent months, scammers have been targeting Hoosiers with a variety of text messages impersonating the agency. Previously, fraudulent messages referred to the “DMV”; however, scammers have now altered the content to specifically reference the “BMV” and have created fake websites using colors similar to the BMV's own website in an effort to appear more legitimate.

We want to make it clear that these messages are not from the Indiana BMV. The BMV does not send SMS text messages about outstanding penalties. In fact, the fees outlined in the messages are not ones that the agency actually collects.

For a list of known BMV related scams, please visit: <https://www.in.gov/bmv/resources/consumer-scam-alerts/>.

### **About the Bureau of Motor Vehicles**

The Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) serves all Hoosiers by providing best-in-class driver and vehicle services in a timely and accurate manner while ensuring security and transparency. We are committed to continuous improvement and excellence in all aspects of our operations. We strive to ensure that every driver is equipped with the resources and information they need to navigate the roads confidently and safely. The BMV wants to empower customers to interact with us when and how they choose, through streamlined services that maximize convenience and uphold our duty to use Hoosier taxpayer resources wisely.

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