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## STATEWIDE TRAFFIC TICKET AMNESTY PROGRAM LAUNCHES OCT. 1

Beginning Oct. 1, 2015 through March 31, 2017, people with qualifying unpaid traffic tickets and infractions whose fines were originally due to be paid on or before Jan. 1, 2013, may have both their debt reduced by 50 or 80 percent depending on income and have their driver's license reinstated. The program also includes a waiver of any civil assessments.

People whose unpaid fines and fees were originally due to be paid <u>after Jan. 1, 2013</u>, are not eligible for a reduction for that ticket, but may be eligible to have their driver's license reinstated, if they are in good standing on a payment plan with the County of Los Angeles comprehensive collection program.

On June 24, 2015, Governor Brown signed into law Senate Bill 85, which provided for a one-time mandatory eighteen (18) month Statewide Traffic Tickets/Infraction Amnesty Program for unpaid traffic and non-traffic infraction tickets. Known as the "Traffic Tickets/Infractions Amnesty Program," this state legislation makes the amnesty program available through March 31, 2017.

Anyone eligible to have a driver's license, (including undocumented individuals who are eligible for a driver's license under AB 60) is entitled to participate in the traffic amnesty program if they meet the eligibility requirements.

Exclusions from the program include:

- Anyone owing victim restitution or with certain outstanding misdemeanor or felony warrants
- Parking tickets, reckless driving, and DUI offenses

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Qualifying participants in the amnesty program can opt to pay in full the reduced amount owed immediately or sign up for a payment plan. In addition, certain eligible participants will be charged a \$50 amnesty program fee and the DMV may charge a \$55 driver's license reinstatement fee (if applicable). The \$50 amnesty program fee will be waived for participants qualifying for the 80 percent reduction.

The participant may qualify for an 80 percent amnesty reduction which is determined by income or receipt of specified public assistance. The 80 percent discount will apply to those who certify under penalty of perjury that they have an annual income of less than 125 percent of established federal poverty guidelines - \$14,712 for an individual, or \$30,312 for a family of four — or that they receive public assistance. The 50 percent discount will apply to all others who qualify for the program.

Those interested in participating in either program must contact GC Services, the Los Angeles Superior Court's collection agency at (800) 950-6280 English / (800) 939-8068 Español or via their website at www.trafficticketamnesty.com, or by visiting one of the GC Service windows at any of the following Los Angeles Superior Court locations:

Antelope Valley Court: 42011 4th Street, Lancaster, CA 93534 Bellflower Court: 10025 East Flower Street, Bellflower, CA 90706

Beverly Hills Court: 9355 Burton Way, Beverly Hills, CA 90210 Burbank Court: 300 East Olive, Burbank, CA 91502 Chatsworth Court: 9425 Penfield Avenue, Chatsworth, CA

Compton Court: 200 West Compton Boulevard, CA 90220 Downey Court: 7500 East Imperial Highway, Downey, CA 90242

El Monte Court: 11234 East Valley Boulevard, El Monte, CA 91731

Glendale Court: 600 East Broadway, Glendale, CA 91206 Inglewood Court: One Regent Street, Inglewood, CA 90301

Governor George Deukmejian Court: 275 Magnolia, Long Beach, CA 90802

Metropolitan Court: 1945 South Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90007

Pasadena Court: 300 East Walnut Avenue, Pasadena, CA 91101

San Fernando Court: 900 Third Street, San Fernando, CA 91340

Santa Clarita Court: 23747 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita, CA 91355

Santa Monica Court: 1725 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401

Torrance Court: 825 Maple Avenue, Torrance, CA 90503 Van Nuys Court: 14400 Erwin Street Mall, Van Nuys, CA 91401

West Covina Court: 1427 West Covina Parkway, West Covina, CA 91790

Additional information regarding the program can be found by visiting the state of California Judicial Council website at <a href="https://www.courts.ca.gov/trafficamnesty.htm">www.courts.ca.gov/trafficamnesty.htm</a> or the California Dept. of Motor Vehicles at <a href="https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv">https://www.dmv.ca.gov/portal/dmv</a>.