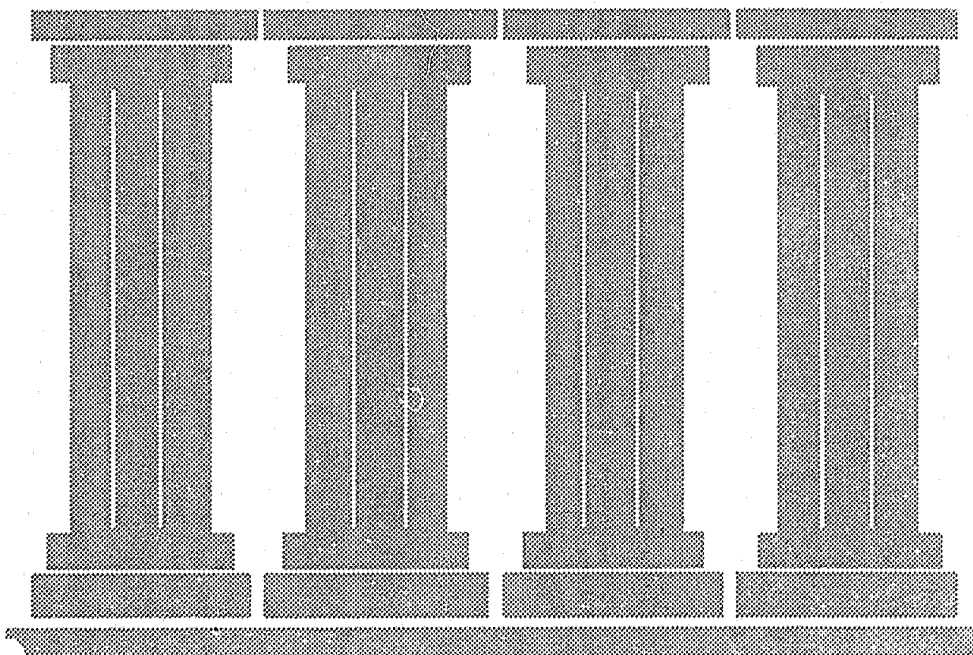




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Letter to the Governor

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The Honorable Guy Hunt
Governor
State of Alabama
Alabama State House
Montgomery, Alabama 36130

Dear Governor Hunt:

I hereby submit the Alabama Department of Public Safety's annual report for the fiscal year 1990-91, our 56th year of service to the people of the state of Alabama. This report provides a synopsis of the duties and accomplishments of the Department of Public Safety's six divisions.

I am proud to report that Public Safety's commitment to serving and protecting the people of Alabama has been fulfilled by the dedicated and professional efforts of the arresting officers and civilian staff of our department. As director of Public Safety I wish to express our sincere appreciation for your support of our efforts and pledge our continued commitment to fulfilling our obligation to the public.

Sincerely,

Ned W. McHenry

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Director

Alabama Department of Public Safety

WE ARE COMMITTED TO COURTESY

We believe the dignity of each individual is central in the way we carry out our responsibilities. We strive to treat all persons fairly, decently and with courtesy and respect.

SERVICE

We are dedicated to improving the quality of life in our state through spirited and quality service. We are responsive to the concerns of our citizens by striving for personal and professional excellence. Our integrity, as a department and as individuals, will always be without question.

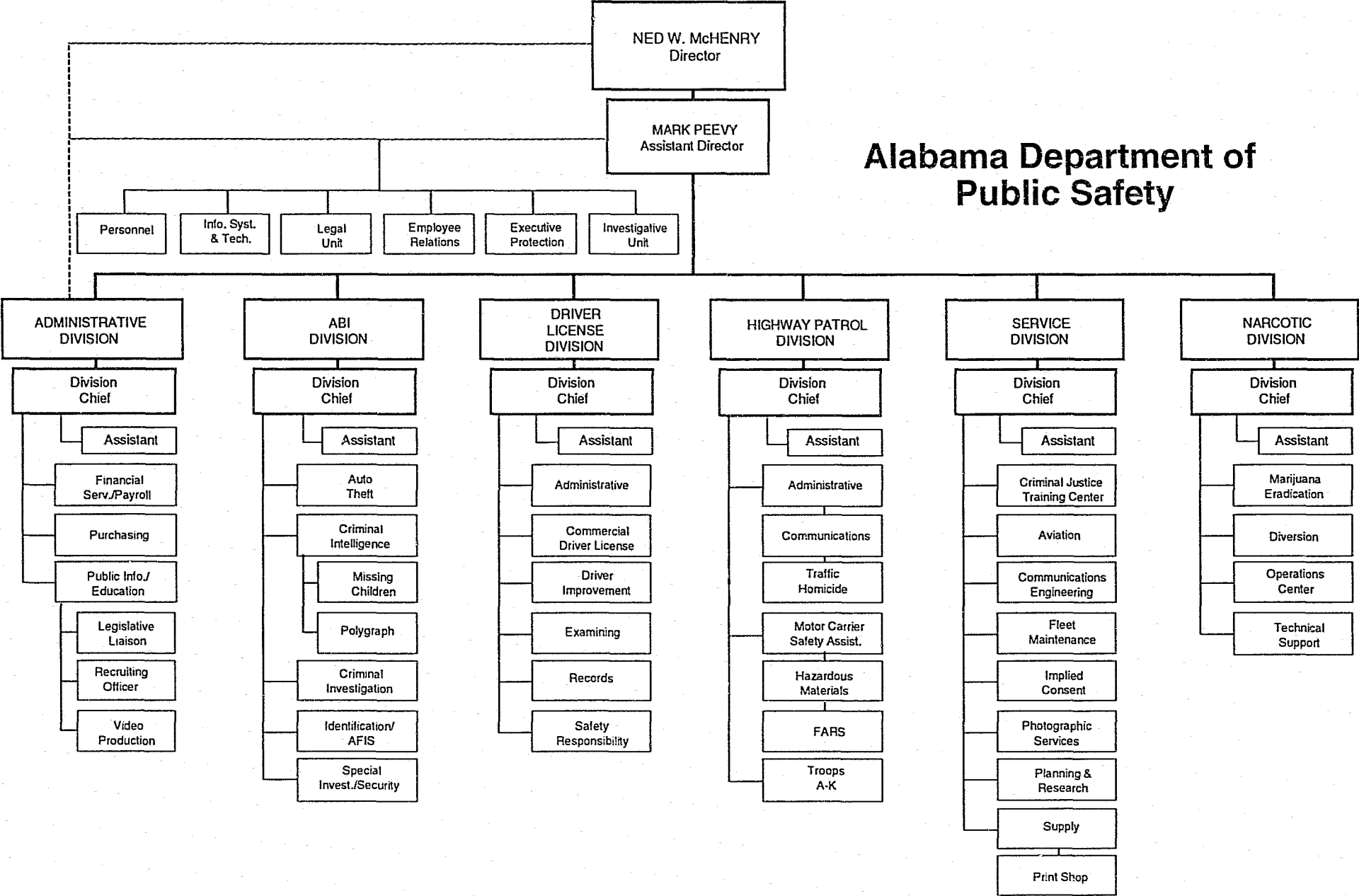
PROTECTION

We are committed to protecting life and property, preventing crime, reducing fear and providing for a safe environment. We will respect and protect the rights of all citizens. We are dedicated to protecting the rights of our employees by providing equal employment opportunities and enhancing their work life through fair and equitable treatment.

Mission

The mission of the Alabama Department of Public Safety is to enhance the enjoyment of life and property in the State of Alabama, and ensure a safe environment by providing courteous service to the public, investigating criminal activities, facilitating the safe movement of traffic and issuing driver licenses, while respecting the rights and dignity of all persons.

Alabama Department of Public Safety



Administrative Division

The Administrative Division serves all other divisions of the Department of Public Safety by implementing policies and procedures and providing a variety of functions necessary to the smooth operation of the department.

Employee Relations Unit

The Employee Relations Unit serves as liaison regarding equal employment and employee relations matters, and also coordinates management and career development training.

The unit coordinated or conducted a variety of courses including management training, performance planning and employee appraisals for all supervisors. Also, it provided training to all department EEO counselors and, with State Personnel, coordinated administration of the corporal exam July 22-26, 1991.

The Career Development and Training Program was implemented with development of a Survey of Current Skills form to assist in promotions and assignments, as well as to help identify under-utilized employees.

The unit began preparing to implement the Americans with Disabilities Compliance Act, which prohibits discrimination against persons with disabilities.

The unit works with personnel to resolve EEO complaints. It monitors compliance with the federal court decree involving equal employment, as well as Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended.

Executive Protection Unit

In January 1991, Security Services was transferred from the ABI Division to the Administrative Division. Effective March 1, the unit was renamed the Executive Protection Unit and assigned to the assistant director's office.

The unit coordinates all protective services statewide for the department. Protection is provided for state officials, visiting dignitaries and other persons designated by the director.

Financial Services Unit

The Financial Services Unit has four areas of responsibility in the operation of the Department of Public Safety: budget preparation, expenditure control, payroll distribution and federal grant tracking and reporting.

The unit prepares the budget to meet the financial needs of the department on a yearly basis. The 1990-91 budget of \$52.6 million was analyzed and converted into an operations plan to meet the needs of each division on a quarterly basis.

To exercise expenditure control, invoices are audited and warrants issued for all expenditures. Expenditures are analyzed and financial reports prepared to reflect the department's financial status.

Payrolls are prepared to ensure each employee is paid the correct amount and in a timely manner. Claims for federal grants are processed to ensure accurate and timely reimbursements.

Legal Unit

The Legal Unit represents the department in any litigation affecting the Department of Public Safety, including litigation resulting from actions by any employee taken in the scope of employment. The unit also represents employees in administrative hearings.

During the year, the unit expanded its role in in-service training for department employees and brought to successful conclusion a number of civil actions pending against the department and its employees.

The unit also handled, either administratively or by litigation, approximately 400 driver license appeal cases.

Legal Cases

	Disposed	Filed	Pending
Administrative			
Hearings	2	3	0
Bd. of Adjustment			
Claims	19	13	9
Civil Suits	12	13	13
Condemnations	2	0	2
Miscellaneous	4	1	3

Office of Information Systems and Technology

The Office of Information Systems and Technology provides direction and management of computer resources and services for all divisions.

OIST is responsible for development, coordination and maintenance of data information and office automation systems. Services include compilation of information and analysis of methods to provide solutions to the department's business problems.

Using more than 250 software system programs, OIST supports the issuance of driver licenses through probate judge and license commissioner offices, and provides computer support to law enforcement agencies throughout Alabama.

OIST also uses more than 250 programs to support the variety of functions performed by the six divisions of the department.

OIST also maintains programming interface and technical support with the Law Enforcement Data System, as well as with the state Finance Department's SNAP, LGFS and GHRS systems. It provides support for the Administrative Office of Courts and the departments of Human Resources, Medicaid and Revenue.

Hardware systems support includes 105 minicomputers, two mainframe computers and 184 microcomputers with supporting printers. Computer operations provides support for two mainframe computers, the Remote Job Entry terminal to the DSMD data center and AFIS.

During 1990-91, the unit accomplished and or supported the following activities:

- Communications support for ABI relocation;
- Upgrade of Criminal Intelligence Center software;
- Hardware, software and communications for 12 CDL sites, including two additional automated testing systems;

- Leave reporting on personal computers;
- Supported upload of AFIS;
- CDLIS support;
- Installation of executive LAN;
- Relocated and consolidated OIST operations to one floor at headquarters;
- Initiated in-house maintenance for personal computers; developed and implemented numerous PC database programs; developed user instructions for PC and mainframe systems; provided office automation and systems training/refreshers training for approximately 125 staff members;
- Responded to 1,596 user requests;
- Developed programming for and provided 822 ad hoc reports supporting department users and outside agencies;
- Delivered 1,261,650 MVRs via electronic process; and
- Processed 576,176 traffic citations and 1.11 million accident records.

Personnel Unit

The Personnel Unit processes all personnel actions in coordination with the State Personnel Department. The unit maintains official personnel files on approximately 1,300 current and 5,000 former employees.

Departmental Policy Order No. 29, providing for the announcement of vacant law enforcement positions/duties, is handled by this unit in conjunction with the Employee Relations Unit. The policy ensures that equal consideration is given to all interested employees who meet the minimum qualifications. There were 30 positions and 40 additional duty assignments announced during the year.

During the fiscal year, the unit assisted in establishing the department's Safety Committee, which reviews all accidents and determines precautions necessary to prevent future accidents. Safety awareness articles were published in *The Blue Light*.

The unit also implemented the worker's compensation subrogation policy and coordinated the revision and update of personnel locator cards.

Increased computerization contributed to the unit's efficiency by incorporating data bases for random drug drawings, performance appraisals, worker compensation, Policy Order 29 and retirement projections.

Personnel Transactions

Appointments	34
Promotions	28
Merit Raises	11
Probationary Raises	199
Reallocations	21
Transfers	156
Leave Without Pay	102
Name Changes	27
Suspensions	13
Resignations	60
Dismissals	8
Retirements	26
Deaths	4

Public Information/Education Unit

The Public Information/Education Unit provides information to the public, media, law enforcement agencies and others concerning all phases of department operations; conducts safety programs and campaigns statewide; and is responsible for recruiting, legislative liaison, video production, archives, and headquarters information/security.

Unit staff also produce the departmental newsletter, *The Blue Light*; and ABI Division publications, *The ABI Crime Bulletin* and *Alabama's Most Wanted*, as well as safety brochures and training materials.

Other activities during the year included: assisting in a video project to provide local news to National Guard units stationed in Saudi Arabia during Operation Desert Shield/Storm; assisting in vehicle window tinting checks and development of educational material regarding tint regulations; and assisting in public education for the state's commercial driver license program.

•**Legislative Liaison** — The unit's legislative liaison works toward enactment of legislation which supports department objectives. Bills of interest to Public Safety passed during 1990-91 include a safety belt law and legislation to aid in drug enforcement.

•**Recruiting** — The recruiter is responsible for enlisting qualified trooper trainee and cadet applicants. The office distributes information to prospective applicants and maintains a system for indexing and retrieving recruiting data. The recruiter represents the department at career days, military job fairs and other events. The recruiter also coordinates the department's Boy Scouts of America Explorers Post, a program designed to introduce law enforcement to young people considering it as a possible career.

•**Video Production** — This section provides

audio and videotape production, duplication and enhancement services for Public Safety and other state agencies upon request. Daily broadcasts of law enforcement training programming provided by a satellite television service are taped, and selected material is duplicated for distribution to headquarters, the trooper posts and training center.

PI/E Activities

Miles traveled	206,504
Talks	1,526
Safety literature distributed	134,178
Written news releases	20
Statewide media interviews	1,146
Radio and TV programs	90
Miscellaneous details	2,063
Recruiting contacts	1,793
Driver Improvement Course	124
Emergency Vehicle Operators Course	114

Purchasing Unit

The Purchasing Unit serves all divisions in purchasing supplies, services or equipment by securing the best possible product or service available at the lowest possible price from a responsible vendor.

Computerization has speeded the procurement process for products or services needed for personnel to perform their daily duties. The unit processes all requisitions; contacts vendors to secure products and arrange delivery; then processes invoices and material receipts against all orders.

Special Investigative Unit

The Special Investigative Unit, organized in May 1991, conducts background investigations on applicants for critical state positions and gubernatorial appointments, as well as conducts sensitive or complex investigations at the request of the DPS director or other law enforcement agencies.

At the request of federal, state, county, and local agencies, the unit assisted with 83 investigations and inquiries. These cases included applicant background investigations, sexual abuse allegations, rape, robbery, theft, harassment, child pornography, murder and allegations of police misconduct.

The unit participated in 37 cases involving such activities as impersonating a police officer, theft, receiving stolen property, harassing communications, sexual crimes, robbery, narcotic trafficking and threats against state and federal officials.

Alabama Bureau of Investigation

The Alabama Bureau of Investigation Division provides investigative support to the Department of Public Safety as well as to other law enforcement agencies. This includes initiating investigations into criminal activity and investigative assistance to municipal, county, state, federal and foreign law enforcement agencies. In addition to field investigation, ABI assists in crime scene searches, latent print case work, polygraph examinations and maintaining and disseminating criminal information. ABI's Identification Service maintains criminal and fingerprint records of all enforcement agencies in the state and operates the state's Automated Fingerprint Identification System.

Auto Theft Service

Auto Theft Service seeks out, identifies and investigates offenders who operate independently or in organized theft rings.

The service works closely with ABI's Criminal Intelligence Center to follow leads and trace ownership of vehicles generated through CIC by matching stolen vehicles reported to the National Crime Information Center and the National Automobile Theft Bureau against Alabama registration and title files. This program involves coordination with the Alabama Criminal Justice Information Center which received reports of 13,225 stolen vehicles in 1990-91. Agents provide investigative support to municipal, county, state and federal law enforcement agencies.

In 1990-91, the service handled 644 investigations and recovered 393 vehicles and property valued at more than \$3.12 million, including 62 vehicles with altered VINs valued at \$369,505. In addition, 187 assistance and/or intelligence reports were completed; and 136 people were charged with 415 offenses relating to the recovery of stolen vehicles.

Of the total number of stolen vehicles recovered, theft rings in Lee, Lauderdale, Shelby, DeKalb and Etowah counties accounted for the recovery of 91 vehicles and 17 pieces of farm equipment.

GULFCAR, a joint undercover sting operation that began in February 1990, was completed in May 1991 by Auto Theft Service and FBI agents. GULFCAR accounted for the recovery of 50 vehicles, along with property belonging to the U.S. Air Force, and resulted in 115 federal and state indictments, with the majority of the subjects pleading guilty. GULFCAR resulted in several spin-off cases.

Criminal Intelligence Center

The Criminal Intelligence Center is charged with collecting, extracting, summarizing and disseminating criminal intelligence data received from many sources. The Missing Children Bureau, Polygraph Service and Polygraph Examiners Board function as part of the Criminal Intelligence Center.

CIC coordinates the indexing of case data into the mainframe computer, which is connected to other ABI services with personal computers. This provides speedy, effective sharing of information so that each agent can query the system at the start of an investigation for suspect/subject information.

In 1990, a statewide Street Gang Intelligence Network was started. A computer, now in place with CIC, serves as a central repository for information contributed by municipal, county and state law enforcement agencies throughout Alabama.

CIC processed 171 intelligence reports, 2,337 assistance reports and 7,537 criminal inquiries.

• **Missing Children Bureau** — Created by the Legislature in 1985, the bureau serves as a statewide repository for information on children missing in Alabama and other states.

Working with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and all other missing children clearinghouses, the bureau provides additional resources necessary to locate and recover missing children by distributing fliers, posters and other forms of information containing descriptions and photographs. The bureau also provides informational and safety materials to law enforcement agencies, parents and interested citizens upon request.

The bureau works with the Alabama state departments of Education, Human Resources, and Youth

Services, and the juvenile services of all law enforcement agencies, as well as assists in identification of unidentified living and deceased persons.

In 1990-91, the bureau assisted in 171 cases, handled 88 cases and six special projects, and issued 11 information releases.

• **Polygraph Service** — Pre-employment examinations for all trooper and trooper cadet applicants are provided by the Polygraph Service. Upon request and with approval of the division chief, applicants of other state agencies are tested. Polygraph examinations also are administered upon request from local, state and federal agencies. Service examiners are located at state trooper posts throughout the state and, in 1990-91, administered 206 polygraph examinations.

• **Polygraph Examiners Board** — Members of the Polygraph Examiners Board are professional examiners appointed by the governor. The board enforces laws regulating and licensing polygraph examiners, administers tests to determine qualified applicants and collects all fees, and grants internship licenses to those in training. The board also has the power to refuse, revoke or suspend a license after a board hearing.

In 1990-91, the board administered 10 examinations, issued 11 new licenses, renewed 76 licenses and issued six intern licenses.

Criminal Investigative Service

The Criminal Investigative Service initiates criminal investigations and assists local, county, state and federal agencies. The service conducts applicant investigations for state trooper trainees and cadets, out-of-state applicants for various law enforcement positions, and certain non-merit and merit positions within state government.

The service opened 330 new investigations; provided assistance in 467 investigations; handled 428 intelligence reports submitted for review by field agents; recovered \$78,902 in stolen property; and arrested 148 people.

Identification Service

The Identification Service is divided into three sections: Criminal Record, Latent Print and AFIS.

The Criminal Record Section maintains fingerprint files of individuals arrested in Alabama, repeat offender files and arrest dispositions. Section personnel classify fingerprint cards and provide criminal history information to law enforcement agencies throughout the nation. Approximately 300 arresting

and judicial agencies in Alabama submit information to the section. In 1990-91, Identification received 199,582 fingerprint arrest cards and 71,890 transcripts, and answered 537,494 requests for criminal history information.

The Latent Print Section processes crime scene evidence for latent fingerprints and compares them to fingerprints of individuals who may have been at the scene of the crime. The section also provides court testimony for state and federal agencies and provides professional training and lectures to law enforcement agencies.

The computerized Automated Fingerprint Identification System, comprising the third section, was delivered in February 1991. When on-line, AFIS will compare incoming information with its database in order to match latent fingerprints to known offenders. AFIS is expected to be operational by 1993.

Identification Activity

Latent fingerprint cases	1,815
Total cases identified	397
Court testimonies	39
Field operations	19
Requests for information	537,494
Cards received	199,582
Transcripts	71,890
Lectures	17

Special Investigation and Security Service

The Special Investigation and Security Service houses the Fugitive Investigation Unit, Leviticus Project Association, INTERPOL State Liaison Unit and Special Investigations.

During the year, the Fugitive Unit initiated 72 investigations, arresting 24 fugitives from several Alabama jurisdictions and 12 fugitives from other states.

As the state's INTERPOL liaison, SISS coordinates all INTERPOL investigations in the state and, in 1990-91, generated 35 reports through to INTERPOL channels.

SISS processed 136 special inquiry investigations during the year, including such crimes as public corruption, police-related shootings, prisoner deaths and applicant investigations. Because the number of special inquiries continues to increase, SISS provides vital supervision, coordination and distribution of these cases.

Driver License Division

Testing and keeping records on Alabama's licensed drivers is the responsibility of the Driver License Division. Records include accident reports, traffic arrest forms, driver license applications and traffic violation convictions. In addition to administering the written and road skills examinations, the division is responsible for revocation or suspension of driver licenses.

Administrative Unit

The Administrative Unit institutes and implements policies and procedures for the division and maintains the division's budget. It handles in-service training schools for the division and revises division manuals, policies and procedures. It also participates in drafting driver license legislation. With the establishment of a classified driver license, the division began issuing restricted Class A, B or C licenses to commercial drivers, Class D to drivers of non-commercial vehicles and Class M to motorcyclists.

CDL Unit

The Alabama Uniform Commercial Driver License Law passed in 1989 to implement the Federal Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986. The purpose of the program is to reduce or prevent commercial motor vehicle accidents, fatalities and injuries by permitting commercial drivers to hold only one license; disqualifying operators who have committed serious traffic violations or other specific offenses; and strengthening licensing and testing standards.

CDL testing began in October 1990, and the unit established 12 testing stations throughout the state. The unit began mass testing commercial drivers in mid-February 1991, and tested and licensed approximately 55,000 during the fiscal year.

The CDL Unit and the department's Office of Informations Systems and Technology are linked with all states in a commercial driver license information system.

Driver Improvement Unit

The Driver Improvement Unit processes all actions taken against a person's driving privilege, as well as reinstatement of driver licenses.

Unit personnel update computerized driver records, which include licenses, tags and proof and termination of mandated insurance coverage; process hearing/interview/investigation requests and written confirmation of results; cancel fraudulently obtained driver licenses; correct erroneous court reports; and reinstate driving privileges.

More than one million pieces of correspondence were mailed from the unit, including 155,892 suspension, revocation and cancellation notices. These suspension and revocations included 67,277 for failure to appear in court, 18,581 for first DUI conviction, 12,763 for second or subsequent DUI conviction, 5,084 for refusing to take the chemical test, 14,280 due to points accumulation, and 37,907 others.

The unit processed 57,849 reinstatements. It received 1,004 tags, 39,198 driver licenses, 17,571 SR-22 insurance forms and 12,320 SR-26 insurance cancellation forms, and examined 53,731 files for Driver Improvement action; checked 235,916 records through the National Driver Register; and mailed 26,327 warning letters to drivers in danger of losing their driving privilege.

Driver Record Unit

Records for some 3.5 million licensed drivers in Alabama are maintained by the Driver Record Unit. About 2.9 million of these have active driver

licenses. Approximately four million documents were processed during the year, including new license applications, name changes, reported accidents, convictions of traffic violations, as well as requests for information from other department units, law enforcement agencies, courts, insurers and individuals.

The unit is responsible for delivery of centrally issued driver licenses and also provides information to the public on license status.

Unit personnel audit new and renewal applications and receive and process fees received from the sale of records, duplicate license applications, accident reports and reinstatement fees. Unit personnel also distribute all mail received by the department and are responsible for ordering and maintaining all supplies for driver license issuance by probate judges and license commissioners.

More than 1.3 million driving records and 31,887 accident reports were processed through the unit. Fees received were \$12,573,718 for 961,187 driver licenses and ID's issued; \$159,435 for 31,887 accident reports; \$7,353,698 for 1,314,502 driving records; and \$3,241,400 for 64,828 reinstatements. Money collected is forwarded to the state Comptroller's Office for deposit in the General Fund.

Examining Unit

The Examining Unit is responsible for administering driver license examinations to all applicants wishing to obtain an Alabama driver license, motor-driven cycle license and learner license. It also provides identification cards for those who do not drive. The unit comprises 11 districts located throughout the state for examinations.

There were 389,910 Class D driver license examinations administered, with 75,142 applicants failing some part and 46,674 not completing the examination. The number of applicants who obtained driver and motorcycle licenses was 131,609, and 48,425 applicants obtained learner licenses. There were 25,258 non-driver identification cards issued, and 62,802 duplicate licenses obtained. A total of \$756,056 was received in testing fees.

In addition, the unit's suspension and revocation officers picked up 7,786 driver licenses and 2,407 license plates from drivers who failed to comply with the state's safety responsibility law.

Hearing officers and supervisors administered 5,316 hearings and investigations at the request of

the Driver Improvement and Safety Responsibility units.

During the year, 12 CDL testing sites were brought on line, and unit personnel issued 14,469 Class A licenses, 10,046 Class B licenses and 392 Class C licenses. The unit administered 156,590 knowledge tests and 3,956 skill tests. A total of \$228,870 was received in CDL testing fees.

Safety Responsibility Unit

The Safety Responsibility Unit processes all accident reports filed by drivers involved in accidents in Alabama that resulted in injury, death or property damage in excess of \$250 to any one vehicle. The unit also receives all funds posted as security for uninsured drivers and ensures that the funds are deposited with the State Treasurer's Office. It also issues certificates of self insurance to qualified agencies upon approval of application.

During the year, the unit received 190,841 reports on 118,301 accidents. This resulted in 96,724 claim affidavits and 16,098 suspension notices to persons involved in accidents.

Security posted with the unit totaled \$382,421 and disbursements of security totaled \$241,456.

Unit personnel generated 4,648 original letters and 10,818 form letters, and handled 34,100 phone calls and personal interviews. The unit also received and prepared answers for 74 appeals made by individuals on suspension due to actions of the unit.

A total of 4,271 record searches and certifications regarding driving records and insurance information were issued to the public, attorneys and insurance companies.

SR-13 Accident Reports Filed

October 1990	17,751
November 1990	16,118
December 1990	16,118
January 1991	15,670
February 1991	14,478
March 1991	14,902
April 1991	14,901
May 1991	18,575
June 1991	15,070
July 1991	16,642
August 1991	15,371
September 1991	15,142
Total	190,841

Highway Patrol Division

The Highway Patrol Division comprises nine troops made up of 18 Highway Patrol posts, communications centers and tactical teams, as well as the Motor Carrier Safety Unit which includes Fatal Accident Reporting System and hazardous materials response personnel. The division also includes the State Trooper Reserves and Honor Guard.

Headquarters

During the year, Highway Patrol focused on continuing a concentrated DUI enforcement program and a comprehensive drug enforcement/interdiction program, and utilizing the DUI video program.

K-9

The division currently has five trained and certified narcotic detection dogs assigned to troopers trained as dog handlers. These teams support the department's drug interdiction efforts, including the Felony Awareness Program, as well as assist other law enforcement agencies in their drug enforcement efforts.

Communications

The division is responsible for maintaining 24-hour radio communications and data transmission for the department through communications centers at headquarters and the posts.

Tactical Operations Teams

The seven Highway Patrol Division tactical operations teams — based in Decatur/Quad Cities, Birmingham, Montgomery, Selma, Evergreen, Dothan and Mobile — are coordinated through headquarters. Three hostage negotiators, who train with the teams, are utilized as necessary.

The teams were utilized on a variety of departmental details including large-scale drug raids, high-risk warrant service, hostage situations, manhunts

and surveillance. Teams also responded to requests for assistance from other agencies.

Motor Carrier Safety Unit

The Motor Carrier Safety Unit is responsible for commercial motor vehicle enforcement, responding to hazardous material incidents, administering the Fatal Accident Reporting System, and correcting and updating traffic accident reports. The unit's goal is to reduce the number and severity of traffic accidents and hazardous material incidents on Alabama's highways.

The unit comprises nine inspection teams and 11 weight teams, which are assigned to geographic areas commensurate with the Highway Patrol troops. The unit weighed approximately 2,100 trucks and inspected more than 1,000 vehicles each month. The unit also conducted 200 safety reviews on interstate carriers and administered 100 road tests for CDL waivers.

Motor Carrier Safety Activity

		Change (+/-)
Drivers/vehicles inspected	12,264	+1,488
Haz/mat vehicles	636	-274
Buses	103	+87
Violations	43,604	+4,808
Haz/mat vehicles	1,139	-668
Buses	121	+63
Vehicles placed out of service	4,736	+30
Haz/mat vehicles	188	-64
Buses	8	+3
Drivers placed out of service	1,187	+97
Haz/mat	65	-26
Buses	5	-1

Weight Detail Activity

Trucks weighed	24,597	-4,907
State roads	22,419	N/A
Interstates	2,178	N/A
Total arrests	4,144	-972
Overweight	2,962	-296
Other	1,182	-676

Fatal Accident Reporting System

Alabama's Fatal Accident Reporting System is a census of data on all fatal traffic accidents occurring on Alabama roadways. Alabama is a part of the FARS network, along with all other states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

To be included in FARS statistics, an accident must involve a motor vehicle travelling on a roadway customarily open to the public and result in the death of a person (a vehicle occupant or a non-motorist) within 30 days of the accident.

Areas of increased emphasis and special studies for the year included analysis of pedestrian fatalities, a report to Congress on the impact of the 65 mph speed limit, analysis of female drivers in fatal crashes, analysis of ejection rates, and the first FARS death certificate database linked to the National Center for Health Statistics.

1991 Motor Vehicle Deaths

Fatal crashes	79
Deaths	1,110
Deaths per 100,000 registered vehicles	33
Deaths per 100,000 licensed drivers	38

Hazardous Materials

Seven state trooper hazardous materials specialists are assigned to the unit. In addition to their duties in commercial vehicle enforcement, these troopers handle incidents involving hazardous materials and serve as the bomb and explosives team.

Unit personnel conducted training for law enforcement personnel at various schools and seminars and implemented the Safetynet system, a computer link-up with the Federal Highway Administration's mainframe that connects states

gathering and disseminating data. The truck inspection and accident reports are used by FHWA and the unit for motor carrier profiles, workload reports and in answering requests for information on motor carriers. The Safetynet system also serves as a management information system for this unit's staff.

1991 Hazardous Materials Responses

Highway incidents	11
Fixed site incidents	10
 Total explosive responses	 63
 Explosives encountered	
Dynamite	1,139 sticks
Binary explosives	699 sticks
Tovex	89 sticks
Improvised devices	31
 Military ordnance	
Hand grenades	3
Mortar rounds	1
Artillery shells	1

State Trooper Reserves

The Alabama State Trooper Reserves is a force of 38 volunteers who work and train with division personnel. Reservists donate their time, augmenting the state trooper force by accompanying troopers on routine patrol duty, assisting with traffic direction and crowd control at the Winston 500 and Talladega 500 races, major football games and other special events, participating in searches and assisting during natural disasters.

Honor Guard

The 38-member Honor Guard participated in 13 funerals during the year and posted the colors at ceremonies for veterans returning from Operation Desert Storm.

Highway Patrol Activity

		Change (+/-) from FY 1989-90
Miles travelled	11,689,891	-1,081,903
Routine	8,815,378	-657,000
Special detail	2,874,513	-424,903
Duty hours	791,763	-57,288
Routine	506,341	+78,110
Other	285,422	-135,398
Motorists contacts	414,405	+10,315
Hazardous arrests	158,152	+3,641
Non-hazardous arrests	42,778	+3,023
Non-traffic arrests	3,383	+777
Warnings issued	166,473	+7,921
Motorists assisted	19,317	+2,016
Accidents investigated	27,685	-2,352
(traffic homicide)	107	+6
DL and equipment checks	1,237	+232
Vehicles inspected	95,205	+21,753
Drivers arrested	6,489	+1,326
DUI	358	-71
No driver license	2,134	+401
Driving while license suspended	1,118	+277
Driving while license revoked	753	+235
Improper tag	938	+139
Child restraint	335	+56
Warnings issued	7,065	+1,841
Relays		
Emergency	214	-105
Other	138	-92
Relay miles travelled	17,679	-6,714
Hours	330	-90
Stolen vehicles recovered	212	+114
(approximate value)	\$1,231,883	+ \$128,168
DUI arrests	8,146	-59
Non-traffic arrests	3,383	+777
Troopers assaulted	20	-3

Narcotic Division

The Narcotic Division provides investigative and intelligence support to the Department of Public Safety and other law enforcement agencies. The division initiates investigations of controlled substance violations and provides investigative assistance to federal, state, county and local law enforcement agencies through the Joint Operations Center.

The division was established in September 1990 by Gov. Guy Hunt and is dedicated to the investigation of illegal drug activity and enforcement of Alabama's Uniform Controlled Substances Act and other laws pertaining to the use, sale, possession, manufacture, growing, transportation and diversion of controlled substances.

Also established was the Joint Operations Center to enhance cooperation among state and federal agencies tasked with drug enforcement. Representatives of the Narcotic Division, Drug Enforcement Administration, Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board and Alabama National Guard are housed and work together, sharing personnel and resources to enforce state and federal drug laws.

The Narcotic Division also administers funding for the Alabama Domestic Marijuana Eradication Program, which is sponsored by the federal Drug Enforcement Administration, and coordinates the efforts of city, county, state and federal agencies participating in the program. During 1991, 164,849 home-grown marijuana plants with an approximate street value of \$329.7 million were destroyed. There were 121 arrests in connection with the eradication program. Fifteen indoor marijuana growing operations also were discovered.

The Narcotic Division continues to support the Highway Patrol Division's Felony Awareness Program, which seeks to curtail drug couriers and other felony activities on Alabama's highways. This program has resulted in the seizure of thousands of dollars in drugs and property.

During 1991, division personnel arrested 245 individuals on 364 drug-related charges. Seized were drugs and property, including 47 vehicles and 77 weapons, valued at more than \$216.9 million.

In 1991, a joint request was submitted to the U.S. Congress by Alabama, Louisiana and Mississippi under the provisions of Title X — Military Drug Interdiction and Counterdrug Activities, Section 1004 — Additional Support for Counterdrug Activities of the FY 91 National Defense Authorization Act. Titled the Gulf States Counterdrug Initiative, its purpose is to target illicit narcotics production and trafficking along the U.S. southern coast. The request identified four categories of necessary support including: training; communications, command, control and computers; operational support; and tactical communications.

The initiative seeks to build upon existing national counterdrug programs and resources currently provided to state agencies by designing defense services and support around the following six counterdrug mission areas: marijuana eradication, diversion of legal drugs, the Felony Awareness Program, international smuggling, illicit labs and asset forfeiture.

Service Division

The Service Division comprises nine units responsible for providing training, supplies, equipment, assistance, research, information and other special services necessary to the effective operation of the Department of Public Safety. Division personnel frequently are called upon to perform special projects and provide services for other state departments and law enforcement agencies.

Aviation Unit

The Aviation Unit provides general aviation support for law enforcement with three twin-engine airplanes, two single-engine airplanes and two turbine helicopters.

During the year, total flight time for the unit was 1,971 hours — 1,145 hours in helicopters, 480 hours in twin-engine airplanes and 346 hours in single-engine planes.

Unit activities included drug enforcement operations, search and rescue efforts, manhunts and traffic control. The unit also provided aerial support for the Domestic Marijuana Eradication program, and the chief trooper pilot was conference chairman of the 1991 Airborne Law Enforcement Association's national meeting held in Mobile in August. The conference was attended by approximately 1,100 law enforcement officers and their families from throughout the United States with the Aviation Unit serving as host to the largest conference ever hosted by DPS.

Communications Engineering

Communications Engineering is responsible for the purchase, installation and maintenance of the radio, telephone, radar and siren systems for the Department of Public Safety. This unit also is responsible for the communications systems for 34 other state agencies. Unit personnel installed 815 radios in vehicles, an 800 MHz radio system in Montgomery and an 800 MHz system in the mobile command post.

Fleet Maintenance

Fleet Maintenance issues and maintains all vehicles operated by DPS. Other responsibilities include the installation, repair and removal of gas tanks and pumps owned by the department, supplying automotive parts to outlying posts and assisting other DPS units during special details.

The unit issued 179 new vehicles, 11 confiscated vehicles and 26 used vehicles which were placed back in service during the fiscal year.

Unit personnel performed 6,142 mechanical repairs, including general maintenance and body work on 250 vehicles. Forty-three gas pumps and underground storage tanks were repaired, replaced or removed. The unit made 231 wrecker trips for DPS and performed wrecker service for other state agencies, as well as assisted with vehicle maintenance for other agencies.

Fleet Maintenance maintains a parts inventory which is disbursed from the main facility to branch facilities in Birmingham, Jacksonville, Decatur, Dothan and Mobile.

A computer system was installed to keep records of all equipment, maintenance work and parts inventory.

Other activities included:

- Assisting at the Talladega races and the June Jam in Fort Payne;
 - Assisting ABI in towing and inspecting vehicles;
 - Assisting Narcotic Division with drug raids;
 - Completing a body/paint shop in Montgomery;
- and
- Attending the evaluation of patrol vehicles conducted in Lansing, Mich.

Implied Consent Unit

The Implied Consent Unit is responsible for monthly inspection and maintenance of 219 Intoxilyzer 5000 alcohol breath-testing instruments located at various law enforcement agencies throughout the state. Unit personnel also are responsible for the maintenance and calibration of 507 Alco-Sensor portable alcohol breath-testing instruments.

Personnel of this unit frequently are called upon to testify in court as to the accuracy of instruments inspected, provide assistance upon request in the preparation of DUI prosecution, and assist the Public Information/Education Unit and other state departments in demonstrating Implied Consent equipment and the effects of alcohol. The unit also assisted various regional academies with basic police training schools. Unit personnel coordinated and furnished supplies for standardized field sobriety testing schools.

The unit conducts chemical breath-testing operator schools at the training center. During the year, 12 Intoxilyzer 5000 training schools were held and 318 new operators certified. In addition, unit personnel administered and graded 835 pre-entrance I.Q. tests for prospective operators.

Additionally, Implied Consent personnel processed 28,358 blood alcohol content forms, with an average BAC of .16, and 5,458 refusals to take the blood alcohol test.

Annual retraining was held at 27 locations across the state with 1,726 law enforcement personnel attending. Unit personnel also assisted with firearms requalification, and five unit members assisted with security at the Airborne Law Enforcement Association Conference.

Photographic Services

Photographic Services processes film and prints pictures of crime scenes, copies of fingerprints, accident scenes, publicity photos and criminal suspects. Photographers are available to support officers on-scene. The unit also provides assistance to other law enforcement agencies upon request.

Preserving the chain of evidence, maintaining confidentiality and processing film from crime scenes are law enforcement requirements that must be fulfilled by this unit instead of a commercial photographic laboratory.

During the year, the unit helped with photography classes at the training center, provided photographic support to the Narcotic Division and DEA on several cases and assisted the Aviation Unit with the 1991 Airborne Law Enforcement Association's National Conference in Mobile.

The unit processed 3,087 rolls of film; developed 45,714 prints (31,998 color prints and 13,716 black and white prints); sold \$32,829 worth of photographs to attorneys and insurance companies; and assisted in assembling several color slide shows including color slides for a photographic course for troopers.

Planning and Research Unit

Planning and Research is responsible for long- and short-term planning for the department. The unit works closely with the DPS staff, conducting research and surveys on projects of special interest.

The unit prepared 22 bills, reviewed 555 bills, applied for six federal grants, conducted eight national and 17 border state surveys, answered 66 surveys or questionnaires and filed nine death benefit claims for survivors of law enforcement officers across the state.

Unit personnel coordinated the department's 427 travel orders and 12 employee suggestions, chaired the Accident Review Board and the Administrative Review Board, and assisted and supported the Governor's Highway Safety and Management Improvement programs.

The unit coordinated statewide vehicle tinting courtesy checks and taught classes on the application of the window tint law to trooper and other law enforcement personnel. It also conducted an employee safety belt usage inspection, qualifying Public Safety to receive the 70% Plus Award.

In addition, the manual committee completed and the staff approved the rewritten departmental manual.

Reproduction Service/Print Shop

This unit is responsible for maintaining and distributing printed material for the department. Materials totaling \$151,000 were printed and distributed, including approximately 200,000 driver manuals, 50,000 CDL manuals, and 25,000 sets of driver license examinations.

Rental, placement and service of copy machines also are coordinated by the Print Shop.

Supply Unit

Supplies and equipment, other than that provided through Fleet Maintenance, Communications and Data Information, are ordered and distributed by the Supply Unit. It also assigns inventory control numbers and maintains inventory records on all departmental equipment.

Equipment, supplies and uniforms totaling \$801,195 were ordered and distributed. This includes uniforms and weapons for 649 troopers, 105 communications personnel and 174 driver license examiners.

Training Center

The Alabama Criminal Justice Training Center, the Alabama Criminal Justice Library and the Alabama Police Academy make up the training center. The center complex, a 21-acre site in Selma, includes a gymnasium, dormitory, dining hall and training buildings, a firing range, an air response course and a defensive driving course.

The center's mission is to provide each student the opportunity to learn—in the most effective, efficient manner possible—the skills and knowledge necessary to cope with the stresses and demands of the law enforcement profession.

Training for DPS personnel at the center included senior- and mid-level management skills, civilian supervisor's management, firearms requalification, felony awareness patrol, special weapons and tactics, rappelling, Highway Patrol in-service, ABI in-service, hazardous material handling, Honor Guard retraining, commercial driver license and communications engineering. Training sessions for trooper personnel regarding administration of the corporal's examination were conducted, as was the actual examination.

Other agencies utilizing the center's facilities include the Alabama Army National Guard, Alabama Air National Guard, Mississippi Air National Guard, U.S. Air Force, Department of Youth Services, Alabama Fire College, Pardons and Parole Board, Department of Forensic Sciences, Department of Mental Health, Forestry Commission, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Northeast Alabama Police Academy and Department of Corrections.

The training center has been involved in Police Officers Standards and Training Commission

curriculum planning and revision to create uniformity in training of all law enforcement personnel in Alabama.

•The **Alabama Police Academy** provided four training sessions with 136 students graduating. Participating agencies included numerous city and county agencies, Conservation, Pardons and Parole and universities.

•The **Alabama Criminal Justice Library** supports the department and also furthers the educational goals of all state law enforcement agencies. The library acquired 849 volumes, 730 of which were law books received as gifts; 115 pamphlets were assimilated into the system. The vertical files and library shelves were reorganized, and acquisitions and pamphlets were processed into the system.

ACJTC

Training sessions	128
Total students	3,227
DPS employees	1,625
Other agencies	1,602
Other agency officers taking basic police course	133
Corrections personnel utilizing facilities	1,225

ACJTC Library

Audio visual requests	423
Films shipped	181
Videotapes issued	358
Slide presentations shipped	24
Showings	1,407
Viewers	33,516
Users (approximately)	4,404
Books checked out	1,020
Books returned	1,614
Research questions answered	537

ABC TRANSFER FUND 306

DPS Fiscal Year 1990-91
As of September 30, 1991
As per Comptrollers "400" Report

	Administrative Services	Capital Outlay	Total
APPROPRIATION	1,837,523	162,477	2,000,000
LESS:			
100 Personnel Costs			0
200 Employee Benefits			0
300 Travel In-State			0
400 Travel Out-of-State			0
500 Repairs & Maintenance			0
600 Rentals & Leases	394,000		394,000
700 Utilities & Communications	97,857		97,857
800 Professional Services	1,345,666		1,345,666
900 Supplies, Mat. & Op. Exp.			0
1000 Transportation Equip. Operations			0
1100 Grants & Benefits			0
1200 Capital Outlay		135,129	135,129
1300 Transportation Equip. Purchases			0
1400 Other Equip. Purchases			0
 TOTAL EXPENDITURES	 1,837,523	 135,129	 1,972,652
"91 E" Capital Outlay Amount Encumbered	0	27,348	27,348
DIFFERENCE	0	0	0

RECEIPTS OF FUNDS

October 1, 1990, through September 30, 1991

FUND		
391	Driver License Sales	11,813,005.57
416	CDL	215,925.00
470	Accident Records	163,825.85
472	DL Reinstatement Fees	3,228,101.91
476	Certified Driving Records	7,690,625.00
478	DL Exam Fees	905,216.00
537	Other Fees	12,701.94
550	Fines and Arrest Fees	3,358.99
684	Prior Year Refunds	84,827.08
699	Sale of Salvage Equipment	402.99
707	Recyclable Materials	603.72
TOTAL		24,118,594.05

FUND 101

Department of Public Safety
 Fiscal Year 1990-91
 As of September 30, 1991
 As per Comptroller's "400" Report

	<u>Police Services</u>		<u>DPS Support Services</u>		<u>Administrative Services</u>		Total
	Highway Patrol	ABI Narcotic	Unit Services	ACJTC	Dept./Div. Admin.	Licenses	
APPROPRIATION	21,013,555	7,616,182	7,260,709	1,086,089	5,368,995	10,232,091	2,577,621
LESS:							
100 Personnel Costs	16,295,154	5,965,296	1,912,695	630,849	2,652,294	7,212,707	34,668,995
200 Employee Benefits	3,671,303	1,269,115	500,370	146,472	933,391	1,816,188	8,336,839
300 Travel In-State	73,752	119,128	31,334	3,766	30,876	108,556	367,412
400 Travel Out-of-State	16,141	24,350	18,197	1,710	16,468	6,508	83,374
500 Repairs & Maintenance	39,992	13,618	82,622	30,574	188,584	23,404	378,794
600 Rentals & Leases	21,309	90,806	85,274	350	18,137	136,475	352,351
700 Utilities & Communications	318,780	122,617	348,033	123,683	177,839	487,062	1,578,014
800 Professional Services	13,881	16,440	155,170	77,372	152,530	582,263	997,656
900 Supplies, Mat. & Op. Exp	36,548	43,207	622,247	85,786	97,727	193,631	1,079,146
1000 Transport. Equip. Operations			2,110,832	13			2,110,845
1100 Grants & Benefits					11,450		11,450
1200 Capital Outlay							0
1300 Transport. Equip. Purchases	230,951		321,769				552,720
1400 Other Equip. Purchases		8,035	284,960	246	2,167	14,587	309,995
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	20,717,811	7,672,612	6,473,503	1,100,821	4,281,463	10,581,381	50,827,591
"91E" P.O. Balances Encumbered	133,883	21,902	562,102	25,862	379,693	162,365	1,285,807
"91E" Other Expenses Encumbered	46,690	36,601	160,790	23,235	142,519	52,900	462,735
Amount Reverted							1,488
DIFFERENCE	115,171	(114,933)	64,314	(63,829)	565,320	(564,555)	1,488

FEDERAL FUND 304

DPS Fiscal Year 1990-91
 As of September 30, 1991
 As per Comptroller's "400" Report

	<u>Police Services</u>		<u>DPS Support Services</u>		<u>Administrative Services</u>		Total
	Highway Patrol	ABI Narcotic	Unit Services	ACJTC	Dept./Div. Admin.	Licenses	
APPROPRIATION	2,368,378	765,657	664,821	29,379	264,596	84,785	4,177,616
LESS:							
100 Personnel Costs	1,039,349	377,238	774			28,508	1,445,869
200 Employee Benefits	171,426	33,194	267				204,887
300 Travel In-State	21,035	44,788			660	200	66,683
400 Travel Out-of-State	15,125	7,242			5,235	2,612	30,214
500 Repairs & Maintenance		886	337		408	444	2,075
600 Rentals & Leases		33,955	2,282		25,824	1,050	63,111
700 Utilities & Communications	2,032						2,032
800 Professional Services	1,806	144,531			2,060		148,397
900 Supplies, Mat. & Op. Exp.	2,237	9,723	12,984	12,034	11,841	6,001	54,820
1000 Transport. Equip. Operations			54,335				54,335
1100 Grants & Benefits							0
1200 Capital Outlay							0
1300 Transport. Equip. Purchases	807,510	12,655	219,550				1,039,715
1400 Other Equip. Purchases		14,925	92,733		169,846	26,712	304,216
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	2,060,520	679,137	383,262	12,034	215,874	65,527	3,416,354
"91E" P.O. Balances Encumbered	0	45,482	127,783	11,710	34,940	0	219,915
Unrealized Federal Monies	307,858	41,038	153,776	5,635	13,782	19,258	541,347