

## **News for Immediate Release**

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### **Pennsylvania First in Nation to Adopt New Driver License Security Feature**

**New Hologram Makes Spotting 'Fakes' Easier**

**Harrisburg** – The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation today deployed a new security hologram that makes it easier to spot fake drivers' licenses and identification cards. Pennsylvania is the first state in the nation to use this enhanced security feature.

"A driver's license or identification card has always been a trusted source for establishing a person's true identity," said PennDOT Secretary Barry J. Schoch. "We are steadfast in our resolve to combat counterfeit forms of identification, which ultimately jeopardize lives and hold great potential for harm to our national security."

The new hologram suppresses the "rainbow" colors normally associated with holographic images. The result is a hologram that appears to switch between white and black as the image is moved. Also, because the new image is of a much higher resolution, it is clearly visible in bright, moderate and even low-light environments.

This state-of-the-art technology is added to an array of

security features including a holographic overlay of county names and keystone outlines already embedded in current license and ID cards.

For more information and to see an example of the new security feature, visit PennDOT's Driver and Vehicle Services website at [www.dmv.state.pa.us](http://www.dmv.state.pa.us) and click on Identity/Security.

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