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Attorney General Moody's Week in Review - Dec. 13, 2024



This week, we issued tips for Floridians to help <u>protect package deliveries that could</u> <u>be stolen by porch pirates</u>.

With the holiday season in full swing, boxes and bags are piling up on Floridians' doorsteps. This could be enticing for criminals looking to swipe packages before the consumer even sees them. In 2023, porch pirates stole \$12 billion worth of packages from the doorsteps of consumers nationwide.

This past legislative session, we pushed for changes to make thefts of items more than \$40 a third-degree felony to deter porch pirates.

But even with this new law in place, Floridians still need to take precautions to protect home deliveries. To help protect your holiday packages:

• Do not leave packages unattended. Schedule deliveries at a time when someone will be home or ask a neighbor to take the item inside;

- Consider shipping to secure locations nearby or schedule a package to be held by the shipping service if out of town;
- Install security cameras and signs indicating that the property is under surveillance; and
- Opt in for tracking details to monitor packages and receive alerts as soon as the item arrives.

If a package is stolen off your property, please report the incident to law enforcement. Voluntarily share footage from your front-door security camera to help law enforcement investigate the crime. If you know any porch pirates, you can call Florida Crime Stoppers by dialing **TIPS and remain anonymous.

Christmas will be here before you know it! Let's make sure that porch pirates can't steal our holiday joy.

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Attorney General Moody Sends Warnings to Voice Service Providers Allowing Robocalls to Bombard Floridians



Attorney General Ashley Moody is putting four voice service providers on notice for transmitting millions of suspected illegal robocalls. Attorney General Moody is a member of the Anti-Robocall Multistate Litigation Task Force, which is investigating these providers.

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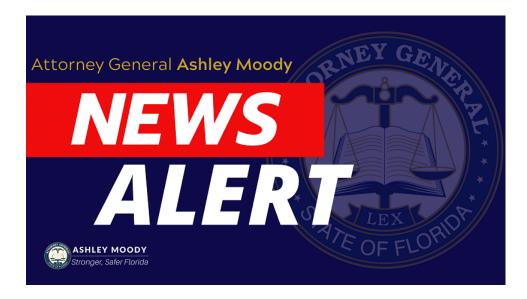
VIDEO: On National App Day, AG Moody Encourages Floridians to Help Combat Crime by Using the Florida Crime Stoppers App



Attorney General Moody is encouraging Floridians to use the Florida Crime Stoppers App to help law enforcement combat crime. This free, easy-to-use app allows individuals to anonymously submit tips about crime incidents or unsolved cases.

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Attorney General Ashley Moody's Office of Statewide Prosecution is charging a woman with organized retail theft for committing multiple thefts in Central and South Florida.

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Attorney General Moody Announces Florida's 2024 Trooper of the Year



Attorney General Ashley Moody announced Florida's 2024 Trooper of the Year, Florida Highway Patrol Trooper Steven Turner.

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Events

Attorney General Moody at the Gold Shield Foundation annual meeting supporting families of law enforcement officers who laid down their lives in service to others.



Attorney General Moody presenting a Florida Cabinet resolution to the 2024 Florida Highway Patrol Trooper of the Year Steven Turner in Tampa, along with Trooper Turner's wife Kathleen.



Attorney General Moody recognized Assistant Attorney General for Child Support Enforcement Kevin McNamara as the latest recipient of the White Hat Award. With more than two decades working in child support enforcement, Kevin is a lead instructor for multiple Continuing Legal Education courses and is known for his depth of knowledge, professionalism and willingness to mentor attorneys. The White Hat Award is given to OAG team members who demonstrate extraordinary effort and skill in fulfilling the mission of the office.

