

# SCAM ALERT!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

The general public has been receiving varied notifications as a mean of alerting them that they have failed to pay for toll violations, parking tickets, or other citations.

These messages include:

- Claims that a payment is overdue
- Threats of license suspensions, warrants, or court penalties
- Fake case numbers, made-up court dates, or fabricated judicial information
- QR codes or links directing recipients to make immediate payment

The examples circulating in the community resembles an “official” notice from a local court, complete with:

- A false case number
- A fabricated violation such a “Failure to Pay Toll”
- A fake hearing date and address
- A QR code labeled “Scan to pay”
- Misuse of seals, signatures, or court titles

Important reminders:

- Georgia courts do not send unexpected text messages demanding payment
- Courts never require payment by QR code or text link
- Official notices will not threaten you into paying immediately to avoid arrest
- If you receive any unsolicited message requesting payment, do not click any links or scan any QR codes

What to do if you receive a suspicious notice or text:

- Do not respond, click links, or scan QR codes
- Take a screenshot of the message
- Contact the relevant court directly using the phone number from the official government website – not the number in the message.
- Report the scam to your local law enforcement agency.

For additional information, go to the DDS site: <http://dds.georgia.gov/>