### **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

## **Colorado State Patrol, Investigative Services Section**

## **Colorado Automobile Theft Prevention Authority (CATPA) Unit:**

# CATALYTIC CONVERTER IDENTIFICATION AND THEFT PREVENTION GRANT PROGRAM

8 CCR 1507-59

## STATEMENT OF BASIS, STATUTORY AUTHORITY, AND PURPOSE

Effective June 7, 2022, Section 2 of Colorado House Bill 22-1217 codifies new statute §24-33.5-230, CRS. Under §24-33.5-230 (1), CRS, the statute creates the Catalytic Converter Identification and Theft Prevention Grant Program and assigns the administration and management thereof to the Colorado Automobile Theft Prevention Authority Unit of the Colorado State Patrol, a division of the Colorado Department of Public Safety. §24-33.5-230 (2), CRS, further authorizes the Colorado State Patrol to adopt rules necessary for the Colorado Automobile Theft Prevention Unit to manage and administer grants issued through the Catalytic Converter Identification and Theft Prevention Grant Program.

The Colorado State Patrol seeks to adopt rules necessary to support the effective management and administration of the Catalytic Converter Identification and Theft Prevention Grant Program created by §24-33.5-230 (1), CRS. The adoption of these rules is:

- To acknowledge the statutory responsibility of the Colorado State Patrol and the assignment of the Catalytic Converter Identification and Theft Prevention Grant Program to the CATPA Business Unit of the Colorado State Patrol as a division of the Colorado Department of Public Safety;
- To effect rules specifying the grant application process, including application requirements and deadlines for the submission and issue of grant awards;
- To specify the criteria for grant applicant eligibility, award selection, and grant award determination;
- To establish reporting requirements applicable to recipients of grant awards issued through the Catalytic Converter Identification and Theft Prevention Grant Program; and
- To identify resources supporting the Catalytic Converter Identification and Theft Prevention Grant Program.

The General Assembly has determined that the promotion and support of programs addressing catalytic converter theft and the issues associated with and arising out of catalytic converter theft are of benefit to the preservation of public peace, health, and safety. The General Assembly has further determined that a grant program providing financial assistance is important to satisfy this goal. For these reasons and others enumerated in the authorizing statute referenced herein, the adoption of these proposed rules is necessary.

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**Date of Adoption**