

Not only does Mississippi not fight with us over water, it doesn't fight with us over traffic either. Our neighbor to the west and Tennessee have joined Alabama in a "Take Back Our Highways" blitz during this Thanksgiving holiday week starting ... yesterday. Yes, that's why you saw a bunch of troopers on the road during your commute. The crackdown continues through Sunday. So we say without apologies, don't be a "turkey" and get a ticket. Besides, who wants to meet a state trooper upset about missing his grandmother's pumpkin pie.

Birmingham News staffer Stan Diel provided [even more reasons to slow down this week](#) in Monday's paper.

Hint, be extra careful on the roads today.