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GOVERNOR, NEWLY-NAMED HEAD OF DYFS TO STRESS DANGERS OF LEAVING CHILDREN ALONE IN A CAR

Gov. Christie Whitman tomorrow will stress the dangers of leaving children unattended in the car, especially during the warm summer months, during a visit to Quaker Bridge Mall in Lawrence Township. The Governor will be joined for the event by the new director of the Division of Youth and Family Services, who will be named tomorrow. Gov. Whitman will measure the temperature inside a parked car in the mall parking lot to illustrate the dangerous conditions inside the car and will introduce her child safety campaign to generate awareness among parents.

Gov. Whitman will also visit a structurally deficient bridge in Salem County to highlight the urgent need to upgrade the state's over-used and aging transportation infrastructure. The Governor will discuss the urgent need to replenish the Transportation Trust Fund to ensure the safety of New Jersey drivers.