FMCSA Proposes New Compliance Date for Entry-Level Driver Training Rule
The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has proposed extending the December 8, 2016, final rule, “Minimum Training Requirements for Entry-Level Commercial Motor Vehicle Operators” (ELDT final rule). The proposed extension effectively sets a new state compliance deadline of February 7, 2022. More specifically, the extension establishes February 7, 2022 as the new deadline for training providers to upload entry-level driver training (ELDT) certification information into the Training Provider Registry (TPR) and for State Driver Licensing Agencies (SDLAs) to receive driver-specific ELDT information from the TPR.

The notice cites that this will provide FMCSA additional time to complete development of the electronic interface that will receive and store ELDT certification information from training providers and transmit that information to the SDLAs. The proposed extension would also provide SDLAs with sufficient time to modify any necessary technology systems and procedures to accommodate the receipt of driver-specific ELDT data from the TPR. Comments on this notice must be received on or before August 19, 2019. Any agency wishing to submit comments are encouraged to copy governmentaffairs@aamva.org so that the association may reflect those comments in its own.