Maine Denies Census Bureau Request for Driver's License Data
Maine officials say they won't give driver's license and state identification card information, including citizenship status, to federal officials seeking to include it in the 2020 Census...Patty Morneault, the deputy secretary of state for the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, told census officials Maine doesn't provide bulk data that includes personally identifying information and lacks the capacity for the monthly reports requested. Morneault says the decision adhered to Maine law "and the sacred trust of the citizens of Maine." Read more at usnews.com.

DMV Adds Information to Vehicle Registration Forms in Wake of Limo Crash That Killed 20 People in Schoharie Last Fall (New York)
The Department of Motor Vehicles is making changes to vehicle registration forms. This comes after a deadly limo crash in Schoharie that killed 20 people last fall. The new form is called the "MV 82." It now includes limos in the checklist under the "vehicle information" section. There is also a section title called "vehicle modifications." That section covers documentation needed for limos to operate in the state of New York. The additional questions expand the form from one sheet to four. This leaves county clerks concerned about the heightened workload they will have to face. Read more at weny.com.

State DMV Investigating Mavis Discount Tire After Schoharie Limo Crash Revelations
The state Department of Motor Vehicles has opened an investigation of the Mavis Discount Tire store in the wake of revelations tied to the limousine crash last year in Schoharie that claimed 20 lives. Investigators have known for months that the South Broadway store issued a DMV inspection sticker to the vehicle in May 2018 even though it wasn't authorized to inspect high-capacity stretch limousines. But last month, a former Mavis manager claimed that the shop didn't do planned brake work on the limo -- a potentially explosive development in the criminal case against limo company operator Nauman Hussain. Read more at dailygazette.com.

PennDOT Reviewing Trump Administration Request For Driver's License Data (Pennsylvania)
The U.S. Census Bureau has asked Pennsylvania and other states to voluntarily turn over driver's license information, as part of the Trump Administration's efforts to compile citizenship status and other detailed data about people living in the country.
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But the state has not indicated whether it will comply...“We are carefully reviewing their request to fully understand the scope of the potential response,” she said. “We take our legal responsibility under federal and state law to protect driver licensing information very seriously. We would not provide access to driver information that would compromise that responsibility or is not in the best interest of the citizens of the commonwealth.” Read more at wesa.fm.

**REGION 2 NEWS**

**Governor Says No to DMV Plan to Charge $15 Walk-In Fee (Rhode Island)**

Rhode Island Gov. Gina Raimondo has rejected a plan by the Division of Motor Vehicles to charge drivers a $15 fee just to walk in the door of a DMV office. A spokesman for Raimondo said Friday that the Democratic governor would not be including the fee in her budget for next year. DMV officials later said the plan is dead. The agency said the $15 “in-person” customer service fee was aimed at cutting wait times by reducing the number of walk-ins and boosting the number of online transactions. Read more at newportri.com.

**With Deadline a Year Away, Arkansas Officials Encourage Residents to Get Real ID**

Arkansans have less than a year to get a Real ID that will comply with an Act passed by Congress in 2005..."It requires each state to take several documents from individuals,” said Scott Hardin the communications director for the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration. "All of this is to prove that these individuals are who they say they are." Hardin says Congress gave states plenty of time to effectuate the Real ID. He said that Arkansas is one state that implemented these IDs well ahead of the deadline. Read more at ualpublicradio.org.

**Atlanta Defends Its Rainbow Crosswalks as Symbols of Pride. Federal Highway Officials Say It Impacts Road Safety (Georgia)**

Atlanta's dazzling rainbow crosswalks won't be repainted any time soon, the mayor said. The symbol of solidarity with the city's LGBTQ residents will remain, the office of Mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms announced, days before Atlanta's Pride festivities begin. "Much like glitter, the crosswalk is here to stay indefinitely," spokesman Michael Smith said in a statement to CNN. Read more at henryherald.com.

**Kentucky Looks to Frankfort-Run Plan for All Driver's Licenses**

Kentucky transportation officials hope to centralize all driver’s license work in the state, ultimately removing the task from local circuit court clerks entirely. The push toward a statewide model similar to those in other states will be a focus of next year’s General Assembly, said Matt Henderson, Kentucky's vehicle regulation commissioner. "My office, at this time, is in favor of assuming all issuance," Henderson told a meeting of the Kentucky Association of Circuit Court Clerks. "There's a lot of efficiencies there." Read more at wdrb.com.

**Real IDs Required for South Carolinians October 1, 2020 (South Carolina)**

"We've reached a critical point in our implementation of REAL ID as a state," said SCDMV Executive Director Kevin Shwedo. "Unless you have a valid US Passport or military ID, now is the time to purchase your REAL ID at scdmvonline.com or in one of our branches to avoid long lines or future disruptions in your travel plans. To think that lines won't reach four-to-six hours in South Carolina is a myth, and we're urging you to prove us wrong by preparing now." Since February 20, 2018, the SCDMV has
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Issued more than 960,000 REAL ID licenses and IDs. The agency expects to reach the one million mark in mid-October. Read more at charlestonchronicle.net.

**Passing a Stopped School Bus in South Carolina Could Land You in Prison**

Thousands of dollars in fines and years in prison. That’s the risk someone takes if they pass a stopped school bus. There are approximately 406 school buses on the roads in Horry County every day and transportation officials say sharing the roads is critical to saving lives. With more buses on the roads, this inevitably means frequent stops for those buses to load and unload. Read more at wpde.com.

**Arlington DMV Select Office Lauded for Busting Fraudsters (Virginia)**

That’s the same message being put out by the Arlington office of Commissioner of Revenue, to those who try to pass off phony out-of-state vehicle titles for nefarious purposes. “Don’t bring us fraudulent titles,” Commissioner of Revenue Ingrid Morroy said. “We’re going to catch you. My staff knows what to look for – the whole team is extremely sharp.” Three members of that staff (Isaac Kateregga, Ahmad Abdalla and supervisor Michelle Neves) recently were honored by the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles in Richmond. They were presented with “Fraud Busters” awards for their work in disrupting efforts to commit misdeeds. Read more at insidenova.com.

**Bureau of Motor Vehicles to Celebrate BMV Week From Oct. 20-26 (Virgin Islands)**

The V.I. Bureau of Motor Vehicles will celebrate BMV Week from Oct. 20-26. During the celebration of BMV Week, it will host a Customer Appreciation Day on each island: Oct. 22 on St. Thomas, Oct. 23 on St. John and Oct. 25 on St. Croix, all at 10 a.m., according to a press release issued by BMV Director Barbara Jackson McIntosh. Jackson McIntosh said, “This year marks 14 years since we separated from the Virgin Islands Police Department, and the Bureau has made significant strides in how we serve the community. Read more at stjohnsource.com.

**Scared of Long Lines? What the Secretary of State Is Doing to Meet Real ID Demand (Illinois)**

If you blinked, you might have missed it. Recently, the Illinois Secretary of State’s office opened up three suburban locations on days they typically would be closed to serve the throngs seeking REAL ID documents. Is there a repeat coming? Possibly, spokesman Dave Druker said, explaining the agency is experimenting with ways to meet the demand for REAL ID, an enhanced identification for air travelers mandated after 9/11. The number of drivers flocking to driver’s license offices clutching copies of mortgages, electric bills and marriage certificates hasn't been lost on Secretary of State Jesse White, Druker said. “We hope to do more but there is a lot involved in scheduling,” he noted, adding one issue is finding employees who can work on days off. Read more at dailyherald.com.

**Illinois Drivers - Watch out for That Deer! Mating Season Is Here**

Driving in Illinois during the fall season can get risky when the deer get frisky. IDOT is warning drivers to be extra cautious when on the roadway this fall season, as deer are becoming more active, especially in the early morning and evening hours...Officials say in 2018, there were 15,636 motor vehicle crashes involving deer in Illinois. Of these, a total of 14,998 resulted in damage to property or vehicles. Only 630 caused personal injuries. Eight of the crashes were fatal. Read more at newschannel20.com.
Indianapolis Airport to Hold Real ID Event (Indiana)
If your driver's license or state ID card does not have a star at the top, that means it is not a 'real ID' card. You now have less than a year to make sure your license is real ID compliant; otherwise, you will not be able to fly on a commercial flight in the United States. On Thursday and Friday, the Indianapolis International Airport is partnering with the BMV to host a real ID event to help people make sure their license, or other ID, complies with the new federal law. Read more at theindychannel.com.

Iowa Officials Working to Get Word out About Coming Real ID Requirements
By Oct. 1, 2020, Americans must have a REAL ID-compliant driver's license or state-issued identification card in order to pass through Transportation Security Administration checkpoints. If they don't, they won't be able to board a plane..."We do still have some people who are not aware of the requirements, so that's why we're increasing messaging," said Melissa Spiegel, director of the Motor Vehicle Division of the IDOT. Read more at siouxcityjournal.com.

Teenage Distracted Driving Data From Study Released (Michigan)
The week of October 20 - 26th marks Teen Driver Safety Week, and researchers at MSU have released findings into teen driver statistics. Dr. Peter Savolainen of MSU says the study took place took place from 2011 and 2013 by tracking 3,400 drivers that were monitored using several instruments. "We literally have unparalleled information about what was happening both inside and outside the vehicle, and that's been a big advantage compared to traditional research where we know what happens leading up to these crash events based on police crash reports," Savolainen said. Read more at wkzo.com.

Michigan Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson Reminds Residents to Become Real ID-Compliant
Is your state ID or driver's license REAL ID-compliant? Michigan Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson is reminding Michigan residents that by October 1, 2020, it will be required to be REAL ID-compliant to be able to fly domestically and to enter into some federal buildings, such as military bases and nuclear power plants. This requirement is for all states in the U.S. Read more at upmatters.com.

Cincinnati Public Schools Votes to Adopt Vision Zero, Push for Safer Streets (Ohio)
The Cincinnati Public Schools Board of Education can’t control the flow of traffic or the shape of roads within the city, but with a unanimous Monday night vote, its members made a commitment to reducing pedestrian fatalities however they can. The board has a vested interest in "Vision Zero," the nationwide pedestrian-safety initiative its members voted to join. Its stated goal is to “eliminate all traffic fatalities and severe injuries” — both of which CPS students have experienced on their walks to school. Read more at wcpo.com.

State Starts Another Round of Amnesty For Drivers' Licenses (Ohio)
Over 340,000 people could get back on the roads legally – sometimes after many years of not being able to pay reinstatement fees. After a six-month pilot period that ended in July, the state is restarting a shortened amnesty program for Ohioans who've lost their drivers' licenses. Most are low-income Ohioans who've fallen behind in paying reinstatement fees and find they've piled up so high that they're unaffordable. Read more at statenews.org.
**DOT Urges Real ID Registration Ahead of 2020 Deadline (Wisconsin)**

The Wisconsin DOT and DMV recommend getting the REAL ID sooner rather than later. If you make the switch during your regular renewal period, there is no additional cost, and you'll avoid long lines when the deadline gets closer. “We’re at the point now where there’s less than one year before it happens so we want to make sure people are using that time to plan,” Kristina Boardman, the Wisconsin DMV Administrator said. “It’s gonna take a little bit of time to get your documents together and then come to the service center so we’re encouraging people not to wait till the last minute.” Read more at wqow.com.

**REGION 4 NEWS**

**Truck Driver Safety Exemptions Under Reconsideration After Plea From Humboldt Families, NDP (Alberta)**

After meeting with the family members of some of the 16 people killed in the April 2018 Humboldt Broncos bus crash, Alberta Transportation Minister Ric McIver says he’s reconsidering his ministry’s decision to exempt some truckers and bus drivers from new licensing requirements...Previously, the NDP required the 6,800 Class 1 drivers who received their licences between the announcement of MELT and its implementation five months later to take these new, tougher tests. However, an exemption added by the UCP government on Sept. 24 exempted drivers with clean records — interpreted to mean that they have no demerits, violations or suspensions — from taking the new test. Read more at edmontonjournal.com.

**New California Law to Protect Personal Information on State Databases From Immigration Authorities**

A new law recently signed by Gov. Newsom aims to prohibit the use of personal information stored in statewide databases for immigration enforcement purposes. The bill followed recent news investigations that discovered Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) could access state-run databases, such as the Department of Motor Vehicles, containing personal information about participants in AB 60 driver’s license program. Read more at nbcsandiego.com.

**California DMV Awards Contract to Comcast for Upgrades to Technology Network**

California's DMV has awarded a multi-million dollar contract to Comcast to upgrade its technology network. The agreement was reached in August and will allow Comcast to improve the DMV’s computer network. It aims to provide the department with more reliable statewide connectivity in order to help process customers transactions more efficiently. The DMV says the upgrade will save the department about $3 million each year. Read more at ksro.com.

**BURNOUT for $420? Big Spenders Win Bids for Vanity Plates (Colorado)**

There are some happy motorists around Colorado with new personalized license plates after a state auction. The live and online auction by the state of Colorado put 25 custom license plates up for bid...All the proceeds go to Colorado's Disability Funding Committee, which will distribute funds through grants to support nonprofit organizations that help people who are disabled across the state. The largest amount was paid for the license plate MCLAREN, which only had one bid — for $6,000. Read more at gjsentinel.com.

**MVD Express Opens for Vehicle Title, Registration, and ID Processing in Billings (Montana)**

MVD Express opened its first Montana storefront in Billings Monday, providing...
another place to register vehicles and renew government-issued identification..."We have been here for the last two years doing titles for dealers, but now we’re open for retail business. This is our first retail location," said MVD Chief Operating Officer Candido Alarid. The goal of the company is to take pressure off state workers during the run up to the REAL ID deadline of October 2020. Read more at ktvq.com.

Impaired Driving Charges Dropped This Year Versus 2018 (Saskatchewan)
According to statistics released by city police, there are fewer impaired driving charges in Prince Albert this year versus last. For September’s monthly crime stats, there has been a nearly 21 per cent decrease in the number of impaired driving charges to date this year (96), compared to this time last year (121). Robyn Keays, President of Prince Albert’s MADD Chapter, said she thinks the introduction of tougher penalties last year has a lot to do with it. Read more at panow.com.

Auburn Woman Warns Other Drivers After Her License Plates Were Swapped With Stolen Ones (Washington)
An Auburn woman noticed right away that someone had stolen an emblem off the back of her car. However, it took her several more days to realize that someone had also taken her license plate and replaced it with a stolen one. "I immediately called the non-emergency line and he said, ‘yeah, that's actually a stolen plate. Do not drive your car anywhere because you could get pulled over and pulled out at gunpoint,’" said Angie Larson. "My heart just dropped." Auburn police commander Mike Hirman agreed. If an officer pulled over what was believed to be a stolen vehicle, it could be a heightened police encounter and it could potentially be traumatic. Read more at king5.com.

The Washington Transportation Commission will review a report from a panel who studied a pay-by-mile system that could replace the gas tax. After reviewing the report Tuesday, the commission will vote on Dec. 17 whether it recommends switching to a pay-by-mile system. The recommendations will then be passed on to the Legislature to consider during its next session in January. The switch is being considered because the rise of more fuel-efficient and electric cars has hampered the state's ability to rely on the gas tax for the long term. Read more at kiro7.com.

Census Bureau Asks States for Driver's License Records to Produce Citizenship Data
The Census Bureau is asking states to voluntarily share driver's license records as part of the Trump administration's efforts to produce detailed data about the U.S. citizenship status of every person living in the country. According to a statement the bureau released Tuesday, the requests are in response to an executive order President Trump issued in July after courts blocked his administration from adding a citizenship question to 2020 census forms..."When several jurisdictions let us know that they were receiving requests from the Census Bureau, we made our members aware of these requests and that they may receive similar requests in their states," the association's spokesperson, Claire Jeffrey, told NPR in an email. Read more at npr.org.

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to Update Auto Safety Ratings Next Year
The government's highway safety agency says it plans a significant update to its automobile crash test ratings next year, and it will look at including new technology
to make roads safer. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says it will study new test procedures and updates to its star rating system for automobiles, as well as technology that will better protect pedestrians and bicyclists. The announcement comes a day before a road safety advocacy group planned a press conference to call on the agency to update the safety tests. Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety say the U.S. pioneered the ratings but they haven’t kept pace with new technology and have fallen behind other countries. Read more at komonews.com.

National Teen Driver Safety Week to Begin Oct. 20
National Teen Driver Safety Week is Oct. 20-26. Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for teens 15-18 years of age in the United States, ahead of all other types of injury, disease, and violence. Inexperience and risk-taking behavior are factors that increase the crash risk for teens. “Parents can help protect their teens by talking with them about how to avoid risky driving behaviors,” said Michael L. Prince, OHSP director. “Because of their lack of experience, teen drivers are at a greater risk of being killed or injured in a crash. That is why it is so important to start a conversation with teens and encourage safe driving practices.” Read more at imtonline.com.

Teens Are Most Likely to Drink and Drive in These 5 States: Report
Drinking and driving among teens is a problem no matter where you are, but it’s more common in some places than others. Cheapcarinsurancequotes.com recently published a report that found the states where teens are most likely to drink and drive. For its report, the website used data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s High School Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System report. Read more at foxbusiness.com.

How Should Autonomous Vehicles Overtake Other Drivers?
Previous research examining trust of autonomous vehicles has largely focused on holistic trust, with little work on evaluation of specific behaviours and interactions with human-controlled vehicles. Six experiments examined the influence of pull-in distance, vehicle perspective (overtaking/being overtaken), following distance and immersion on self-reported evaluations of, and physiological responses to, autonomous motorway overtakes. Read more at sciencedirect.com.

NHTSA Targets Drunk Driving with New Partnership Funding
Five new cooperative partnerships between non-governmental organizations and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) are aimed at providing critical support for highway safety projects. The NHTSA has provided the organizations with $1.8 million to combat impaired driving, support the 911 network, enhance safety messaging for young drivers, and give technical assistance to state officials on a wide range of traffic safety issues. Read more at ehsoday.com.

SUVs Are 28 Percent More Likely to Kill Other Drivers in a Crash, Which Is Somehow a Massive Improvement
If you’re driving a car that’s hit by another vehicle, a new study from the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety says you’re 28 percent more likely to die if that vehicle is an SUV. That’s not exactly great news, but considering SUVs used to be 132 percent more deadly than cars, it’s a welcome improvement. The study looked at collisions from 1989 to 2016 involving 1- to 4-year-old vehicles. That 132 percent figure comes from the first studied period, from 1989 to 1992. By the period ending in 2016, the risk from “vehicle incompatibility” had been significantly reduced in SUVs. Read more at jalopnik.com.
New Report Raises Concern About Unfixed Safety Recalls at Major Car Dealerships

It's estimated that one in five cars on the road today has a safety recall that hasn't been fixed, rendering those vehicles unsafe. But U.S. PIRG claims it's recent investigation found nearly as many unsafe used cars - one in nine - are being offered for sale at AutoNation dealerships, one of the largest auto retailers in the country. U.S. PIRG says it surveyed AutoNation dealerships in metro areas across 12 states. Read more at komonews.com.

This Is What Consumers Around the World Think About Autonomous Vehicles

Are consumers ready for autonomous cars? According to a new survey, the answer is a resounding yes. The survey was commissioned by ANSYS, an engineering simulation company that works in sectors like aerospace and wearable tech and has become a virtual developing grounds for several self-driving car companies. On behalf of ANSYS, Atomik Research, an independent market research firm, executed an online survey of 22,041 adults aged 18+ in countries considered to be prime targets for autonomous vehicle technology. Read more at zdnet.com.

@AAMVAConnection has been watching the twitter feed and decided to highlight some of the tweets here. Links are provided within most of the tweets, and we have also provided a link to each tweet as well. Note that you do not have to have an account or sign in to Twitter to view the message posts, images associated with the post, and the reach of the message (retweets, favorited, etc.).

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It's a FULL HOUSE at #VENDORDAY today in Rancho Cordova as @CA_DMV Director Steve Gordon leads a lively discussion alongside the @CADeptTech on ways to transform the #CADMV into a more modern and efficient agency! #DMV

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The Department of Revenue's motto is #AlwaysHelp - and that's precisely what some of our DMV team members were doing with Project Homeless Connect Denver at the @CCCbluebear last week.

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ICYMI: This past Friday we were at the @ColumbusAirport with the @TSA and @GovMikeDeWine to reminded travelers that strengthened federal requirements surrounding air travel in the U.S. go into effect in less than one year. #LicenseToFly

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@NYGovCuomo today highlighted the importance of NY’s Move Over Law, which requires motorists to drive with care, slow down, and safely move over when approaching emergency/hazard vehicles that are stopped along roadways across the state. Read more here: https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-cuomo-reminds-motorists-adhere-new-yorks-move-over-law-when-approaching-emergency-or …
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