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AAMVA Board of Directors Holds October Meeting

Chair Mike Dixon presided as the [AAMVA Board of Directors](#) held their first meeting of the 2021 fiscal year. The Board reviewed preliminary financial results for FY2020 which are coming in more favorable than originally predicted at the start of the pandemic. They also reviewed the recently signed NMVTIS cooperative agreement with the Department of Justice which continues the existing relationship through 2025. In other business, the Board approved a "DMV Futures" report produced by the Transportation Research Board and a whitepaper explaining the new odometer exemption rules that go into effect January 1, 2021 in the U.S. Both items will soon be published and made available to all members. Planning for the future and recognizing the impacts of the current environment, the Board acted to extend the existing [Strategic Framework](#) for one year and launched an effort to update the Framework with the start of FY2023.

FEATURED NEWS

Jurisdiction Response to COVID-19

[Click here](#) to view consolidated information and see how motor vehicle administrations are handling driver licensing and vehicle registration. This document will be updated with the most current information on our [homepage](#).

Motor Vehicle Industry Response to COVID-19 Pandemic

Below are a selection of news articles regarding the effects of coronavirus on the motor vehicle community.

COVID-19 | NATIONAL NEWS COVERAGE

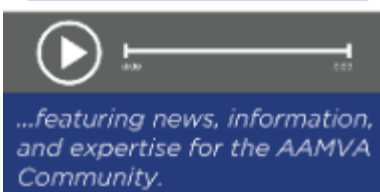
- [Public Views Trucking Industry Favorably in Pandemic Era. Newhouse Says](#)
- [The Gas Tax Was Already Broken. the Pandemic Could End It.](#)
- [ATA's Chris Spear Commends Truckers. Discusses Pressing Issues During Virtual Address](#)
- [Trucking Representatives Talk Silver Linings. Lingering Problems Amid Pandemic](#)
- [Heroes Among Heroes: Three Truckers Honored for Selflessness During Pandemic](#)

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- [Massachusetts Registry Of Motor Vehicles Further Extends Designated Appointment Hours For Customers 75 Years Of Age Or Older](#)
- [DMV Registration. Inspection Due by November 3 \(New York\)](#)



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- [RI Voters Can Use Expired License, ID Card From March 1 or Later at the Polls \(Rhode Island\)](#)

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- [COVID-19 Pandemic Causing Months-Long Wait for DMV Appointments for Some in North Carolina](#)

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- [License Plate Renewal Extension Ends Nov. 1, Secretary of State Warns \(Illinois\)](#)
- [Belleville DMV Closed After Employee Tests Positive for COVID-19 \(Illinois\)](#)
- [Governor Whitmer Signs Bill Extending Validity of Driver's License & Personal ID Cards \(Michigan\)](#)
- [Amid Pandemic, SD Officials Are Telling Motorists to Renew Driver Licenses Online \(South Dakota\)](#)

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- [My Driver's License Is Expired. Can I Still Use It to Vote? \(Arizona\)](#)
- [Older Californians Can Skip DMV Trip: New Order Allows License Renewals by Mail](#)
- [Idaho DMV Issues Extension on Expiring Registrations and Driver's Licenses](#)
- [Bingham County Driver's License Office Adjusts Due to COVID \(Idaho\)](#)
- [ITI Announces Nevada DMV Set to Open the Nation's First Drive-Through Self-Service DMV Kiosk in South Reno](#)
- [MVD Lets Drivers 79 and up Renew Online. Plans More Upgrades \(New Mexico\)](#)

Visit [cdc.gov](https://www.cdc.gov) for more information on [COVID-19](#), [guidance](#), [press releases](#), [press kits](#), and more.

REGION 1 NEWS

NTSB Release Details in Crash That Killed 7 Motorcyclists in NH (New Hampshire)

The pickup truck driver charged with causing the deaths of seven motorcyclists in New Hampshire last year told authorities he had drug problems, regularly used heroin and cocaine but believed he was not impaired at the time of the crash. The admission by Volodymyr Zhukovskyy was included in a trove of documents released Wednesday by federal investigators related to the June 21, 2019, crash in Randolph. [Read more at nbcoston.com](#).

Know Before You Go: Answers To Common Questions About in-Person Voting Rules (New Hampshire)

What identification should I bring to register at the polls? In New Hampshire, if you are registering to vote on the day of the election, you need to prove your age, citizenship, and domicile -- where you live. However, if you do not have the required documentation you'll still be able to vote. [Read more at concordmonitor.com](#).

FMCSA Declares New Jersey Truck Driver to Be an Imminent Hazard

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Motor Carrier Safety

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Administration (FMCSA) has declared New Jersey-licensed commercial driver Quentin Campbell to be an imminent hazard to public safety, and in conjunction with the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, has disqualified him from operating any commercial motor vehicle (CMV) for which a commercial driver's license (CDL) is required. [Read more at fmcsa.dot.gov.](#)

National Road Safety Foundation Launches Drive2Life; Contest Invites Teens To Create TV Message About Dangers Of Drunk And Drugged Driving (New York)

Nearly 30 people die throughout the U.S. every day in traffic crashes caused by alcohol or drug impairment....Students in grades 6 – 12 throughout the U.S. are invited to submit a script or storyboard for a 30-second public service announcement (PSA) video to help educate their peers and others about the dangers of drunk and drugged driving. [Read more at salamancapress.com.](#)

Staten Island Driver Who Killed Senior Escapes Jail...But Loses His License Permanently (New York)

A Staten Island driver who killed beloved senior Anastasia Diaz last year won't serve any jail time for the crime, but his guilty plea this week did come with one form of punishment that will keep residents of the Rock safe for years to come: driver Johnson Kim must surrender his driver's license permanently...But it's the revocation of Kim's license that stands out, given how few drivers who kill are ever held accountable. [Read more at nyc.streetsblog.org.](#)

First Taste of Winter Conditions Can 'Kickstart' Better Driving Behaviour (Ontario)

Winter driving expert Rowan Wilson-Smillie has a few ideas why the first snowfall of the season creates such inevitable traffic havoc every year. "The first couple snowfalls, all the good habits we developed over the last winter are all gone, a lot of assumptions are being made, a lot of muscle memory decisions we make in the car are not yet there, and I fundamentally believe that's why the first snowfalls are such a disaster," said Wilson-Smillie. [Read more at ottawacitizen.com.](#)

REGION 2 NEWS

How Secure Is Your Vote? Voting Machine Testing Underway in Mobile County (Alabama)

Safety measures will be in place at the polls in Mobile County when you go to cast your ballot next week. Voting machines were tested and sealed Tuesday morning. Each machine is assigned to a specific precinct...Judge Davis says they strongly encourage people to use their Alabama driver's license as their photo ID on election day because it's the fastest to process. [Read more at mynbc15.com.](#)

Florida Driving School Provided Correct Exam Answers, Agency Says

A Florida driving school was suspended after investigators said it was providing correct answers to people taking a written driver license test, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles announced Monday...“It is deeply concerning that this third-party administrator would willfully aid in placing individuals who have not been properly tested on our state roadways,”

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said department Executive Director Terry Rhodes. [Read more at tampabay.com.](#)

Can a Doctor Take Away Someone's Driver's License? (Florida)

We've all had that thought before, "Should this person even be allowed to have a driver's license?" Believe it or not there is a procedure in place for when a driver's ability to safely operate a motor vehicle comes into question. [Read more at clickorlando.com.](#)

Need a Real ID? A Regional Driver's Licenses Location Just Opened in Breathitt County (Kentucky)

Some other regional offices include Somerset, Morehead, Richmond and Lexington...James Turner, Breathitt County Circuit Court Clerk, says this new office is one of 12 in the state. [Read more at wymt.com.](#)

Acceptable Forms of Identification in Texas When Heading to the Polls

Texas Voter ID law requires that you have one of seven acceptable forms of identification, but there are exceptions. Those seven forms of acceptable ID include Texas Drivers License, Texas Election ID Certificate, Texas Personal ID card, Texas Handgun License, U.S. Military ID w/photo, U.S. Citizenship Certificate w/photo, and U.S. Passport (card/book). [Read more at valleycentral.com.](#)

New Gadget Aims to Make Airport Checkpoints Simpler and Safer, TSA Says (Texas)

A new gadget at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport allows people to swipe their own identification cards into an electronic reader – without TSA agents ever touching it. The new machines are being installed at airports nationwide just in time for the busy holiday travel season. [Read more at nbcdfw.com.](#)

REGION 3 NEWS

Des Moines Driver's License Office Closed Briefly to Expand Services (Iowa)

A Des Moines driver's license office re-opened Tuesday after a brief closure to expand services offered...Now the center offers driver's license and ID card renewals of all types, issuance of all types of licenses and identification cards, knowledge testing for all license types, non-commercial drive testing, and driving records questions and processing. [Read more at desmoinesregister.com.](#)

Ohio Partners With Michigan, Pennsylvania to Launch Test of Autonomous Trucks

DriveOhio, an initiative of the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) charged with developing and deploying automated and connected vehicle (AV/CV) technology, and the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission (OTIC) have partnered with a multi-state coalition to solicit and deploy a state-of-the-art smart logistics project to test Level I automation. [Read more at](#)

highlandcountypress.com.

REGION 4 NEWS

California Highway Patrol Appoints First Female Commissioner to Lead Agency as First Black Chief Retires

Commissioner Warren Stanley will be retiring from California Highway Patrol after 38 years in the agency. Commissioner Stanley has held every uniformed rank in California Highway Patrol and made history as the first Black commissioner in the agency's history. Assistant Chief Amanda Ray has been appointed as Commissioner and will serve CHP as the first female chief appointed to the position. Her tenure will begin on November 17. [Read more at sacramento.cbslocal.com](http://sacramento.cbslocal.com).

Buyers Abused DMV Data, California DMV Says

The California DMV has terminated accounts of people or companies that buy DMV data for both findings uncovered during audits and after investigations into misuse of the data, according to a letter obtained by Motherboard. [Read more at vice.com](http://vice.com).

Douglas County To Close DMV Services on Election Day (Colorado)

Motor vehicle, driver's license and recording services will be unavailable on Election Day in Douglas County, it was announced Wednesday. The services are being suspended to allow the Douglas County Clerk and Recorder staff to focus on general election operations, officials said. [Read more at 9news.com](http://9news.com).

Oregon Has Added 755,000 Registered Voters Since Motor Voter Law Passed

Before the motor voter program began in 2016, Oregon had 2,169,258 registered voters. Now there are more than 2.9 million voters in the state. [Read more at kgw.com](http://kgw.com).

Sask. Police Hand Out 673 School Zone Speeding Tickets During September (Saskatchewan)

Police issued 673 school zone speeding tickets in Saskatchewan during the month of September. According to SGI's September Traffic Safety Spotlight, that's less than half the number of drivers caught speeding in school zones during last September, when 1,424 tickets were handed out. [Read more at leaderpost.com](http://leaderpost.com).

OTHER NEWS

Daimler, Waymo Partner to Develop Autonomous Trucks

Daimler Trucks and Waymo have joined forces in the quest to make fully self-driving Class 8 trucks a reality. The world's largest truck maker and the autonomous driving pioneer on Oct. 27 announced an agreement to produce highly automated commercial vehicles by combining Daimler's trucks with Waymo's technology. [Read more at tnews.com](http://tnews.com).

How Seniors Became a Better Auto Risk Than Younger Drivers

Improvements in healthcare, vehicle safety, and infrastructure design have brought down senior crash fatality rates to the point where younger drivers are now a greater risk to die in collisions than seniors, a new study has found. [Read more at canadianunderwriter.ca.](#)

What You Should and Shouldn't Bring to the Polls This Election Day

Due to the coronavirus pandemic, there has been a great emphasis on people voting by mail or filling out absentee ballots from home this election...Voting rules vary by state, but the majority of states require that you to bring some form of identification with you. [Read more at radio.com.](#)

ATRI Top 10 Report Finds Driver Shortage Top Issue for Fourth Year in a Row

For the fourth year in a row, the trucking industry's persistent driver shortage ranked No. 1 on the annual Top Industry Issues list from the American Transportation Research Institute. [Read more at tnews.com.](#)

AAA WARNS: Halloween Weekend 2020 Brings Traffic Safety Triple Threat

As Halloween is approaching this weekend, the AAA is raising concern for dangerous traffic safety, increased pedestrian activity, drunk driving, and drowsy driving. [Read more at wbc.com.](#)

TWITTER NEWS

Stay on top of the chatter in the MVA and LE community on social media. You may be surprised at what you're missing! Here are a few highlights of last weeks' activity.

Warren Stanley @CHPCommissioner | [View the Tweet](#)

After 38+ years of working with CA's bravest women and men, I am retiring. It's been an honor to serve the people of this great state. Thanks to the CHP family for your service and to [@GavinNewsom](#) for entrusting me. Congratulations to my successor, Deputy Commissioner Amanda Ray.



State of Connecticut DMV [@CTDMV](#) | [View the Tweet](#)

Last week was [#NationalTeenDriverSafetyWeek!](#)

Check out this mashup of winning videos from the [#Connecticut DMV-@Travelers](#) 2020 Teen Safe Driving Video Contest.

Special thanks to the CT Association of Schools ([@CAS_ct!](#))



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#DistractedDrivingAwarenessMonth

Mass. Transportation @MassDOT · Oct 26

October is #DistractedDriving Awareness Month and, this afternoon, Jonathan Gulliver, MassDOT Highway Administrator, joined an esteemed panel for a virtual press conference hosted by @aaanortheast to discuss the importance of roadway safety.



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Important reminder as [#TeenDriverSafetyWeek](#) comes to a close. Stunt driving, street racing or speeding are all dangerous and illegal. These high-risk driving behaviours are unacceptable and will not be tolerated. Drive safely.



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RI voters can use expired license, ID card from March 1 or later at the polls
With only a week until Election Day, state election officials made an important change that could help some Rhode Islanders cast their ballots.
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