2018 AAMVA Workshop and Law Institute Wraps Up
The 2018 Workshop & Law Institute took place this week at the Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel. Attendees learned about a variety of topics facing jurisdictions as well as met with industry leaders providing products and services to improve business. Many of the presentations from the event are available for download at the event's Download Center online. Pictures from the event are available on Flickr, and you can also watch a wrap-up video on YouTube.

e-Odometer Guidance Document Now Available
In recent years, government entities and private industry have transitioned to electronic processes to securely sign a myriad of documents, thereby providing a model in which odometer disclosures can be signed securely with an electronic process. The E-Odometer Task Force released the Roadmap to Electronic Odometer Disclosure as a guide for states to follow during the implementation of an e-odometer disclosure process. States are encouraged to consider the recommendations of the Task Force as a standard approach to reduce challenges in the future to electronically communicate between states. Download the document here.

Delaware DOT Announces Mobile Driver License Pilot Study
The Delaware Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) has launched a mobile driver license (mDL) pilot study that will run for six months. The pilot, which includes approximately 200 state employees and stakeholders, is designed to test user acceptance and new innovative features that can only be achieved with an mDL. Read the press release.

Driver's License Exam Fees See Increase in 2018 (Maine)
Driver's license exam fees have increased in Maine. Class C non-commercial driver's license exams are $35, which is $25 more than last year. Legislation was passed last year to increase fees to help pay for infrastructure improvements. Read the article at wabi.tv.

New Requirements Needed for State Drivers License, Learner’s Permit Or ID Card (Massachusetts)
The Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles wants to remind the public that they will need proof of their U.S. citizenship or residency in order to renew or get a new driver’s license, an ID card or learners permit. Effective March 26, customers will have the choice to choose between a Real ID driver's license or ID card or a Standard Massachusetts drivers license or ID card. Read the article at wwwwp.com.

Governor Murphy Appoints Cabinet Members to Lead the Department of Higher Education, Motor Vehicle Commission, and Civil Service Commission (New Jersey)
Governor Phil Murphy today announced the appointments of Zakiya Smith Ellis as the Secretary of Higher Education, B. Sue Fulton as Chair and Chief Administrator of the
New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, and Deirdre Webster Cobb, Esq. as Chair and Chief Executive Officer of the Civil Service Commission. Read the press release.

**State Lawmakers Propose Driving Restrictions in Wake of Tragic Car Crash (New York)**

Doctors would be required to report drivers who have “an impairing ailment” to the state DMV, and the agency could then suspend his or her license, according to proposed legislation detailed Friday. State Assemblyman Robert Carroll and state Sen. Jesse Hamilton, speaking at the scene of Monday’s Park Slope crash that killed two little kids, said they introduced the bill this week in response to the horror. Read the article at nypost.com.

**Pennsylvania Helps Lead the Charge for Self-Driving Cars**

Pennsylvania is among the states leading the nation in the development of autonomous vehicle technology. With one of only 10 proving grounds for self-driving vehicle technology in State College and with Uber and other companies testing their autonomous vehicles in Pennsylvania, PennDOT Secretary Leslie Richards says PA is one of a handful of states taking the lead in development of the technology. Read the article at witf.org.

**New Bill Will Allow Pennsylvania Cops To Use Radar But Not Abuse It, Lawmaker Says**

A Camp Hill lawmaker says he is drafting a new bill that will allow local cops in Pennsylvania to use radar devices to catch speeders but prevent them from abusing them to generate cash. Currently, Pennsylvania is the only state in the nation that bans municipal police, encompassing about 1,200 police departments, from using radar or laser-radar devices. Read the article at pennlive.com.

**Pleas Announced in Pennsylvania License Plate Ring**

 Authorities have announced pleas in a ring that they said made millions renting out fraudulently obtained Pennsylvania license plates. Read the article at usnews.com.

**Saccone’s Bill to End License Suspensions for Non-Driving Convictions Heads to House (Pennsylvania)**

Legislation authored by Rep. Rick Saccone (R-Allegheny/Washington), which would remove the driver’s license suspension for non-driving related drug convictions, passed the House Transportation Committee and will now head to the House. Read the article at pahousegop.com.

**The Post-Prison License Hurdle (Arkansas)**

For Timothy Jones to obtain a new driver’s license — his first in 14 years — it required a payment of $1,500 in old fines, a month of nearly daily calls to multiple courts throughout the state, a birth certificate, a prison release statement and a copy of his old ID. Read the article at arktimes.com.

**State Agents Raid Car Dealerships Accused of Printing Fake Dealer Tags (Georgia)**

Three Clayton County used car lots have a temporary hold on temporary tags. That's after state revenue agents swooped in with search warrants. Channel 2 consumer investigator Jim Strickland was at one of the dealerships Friday when state investigators raided the lot. Read the article at wsbtv.com.

**South Carolina DMV Forges Some Driver Suspensions During Week-Long Event**

From April 16-20, 2018, the South Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles (SCDMV) will forgive the suspension period for some qualified drivers. According to a news release, the suspensions listed below are the only ones that have fixed suspension periods and may qualify for amnesty. Read the article at wpde.com.

**State Lawmakers Look to Regulate Temporary License Plates (South Carolina)**
Some state lawmakers are trying regulate license plates given out temporarily. Right now, temporary license plates in South Carolina don't have a unique number, but those temporary tags may look and even feel different soon. Read the article at wbtw.com.

**Tennessee to Begin Producing License Plate Honoring Summit**
Tennessee will begin producing license plates honoring former Lady Vols coach Pat Summit now that the specialty plate has received 1,000 pre-orders. The Pat Summit Foundation announced Friday that it had received the necessary number of orders for the license plates to get produced. Read the article at wsmv.com.

**Illegal Sales of Vehicle Registrations on Social Media (Texas)**
Searching for world news and keeping in contact with friends; Sissy Cox said that's what she loves most about Facebook. She told CHANNEL 5 NEWS every so often she even looks for a good deal on the marketplace. Last week, she found an ad for vehicle registration stickers. Read the article at krgv.com.

**Holcomb: Plenty of Time Left to Reach Compromise on Self-Driving Cars (Indiana)**
Most of Governor Holcomb's agenda has already passed the legislature or is about to. But legislators are still at loggerheads over one of his priorities: a law to open the door to self-driving cars on Indiana roads. Read the article at wibc.com.

**Number of Distracted-Driving Stops Continues To Rise in Minnesota**
The number of people caught driving while using their cellphones is on the rise in Minnesota, even as other bad behavior by motorists, such as speeding and drunken driving, is going down or holding steady. Last year, the number of texting and driving citations was up 23 percent over 2016, according to state numbers. Read the article at startribune.com.

**Top Official Fired Over DMV Computer Mess — And Now He’s Speaking Out (Minnesota)**
A longtime state official overseeing Minnesota’s beleaguered new computer system for vehicle tabs and titles has been fired. But Paul Meekin isn’t going quietly. On Monday, he cast himself as a scapegoat for a project that he characterized as the victim of a state agency saddled with too many bureaucratic restraints and not enough money in a tech sector that is leaving it in the dust. Read the article at twincities.com.

**Ohio Adding New Security Features to Driver’s Licenses, State ID Cards**
Chris Oaks spoke with Don Petit, state registrar of the Ohio Department of Motor Vehicles. Q: The BMV is making some significant changes to the Ohio driver’s license and state ID card this year. What’s happening and why? A: In addition to having a new look, we’ve added features to make the cards more tamper-resistant and counterfeit-resistant. Read the article at thecourier.com.

**Is 16 Years Old Too Young To Drive? Ohio Lawmakers Consider Upping Age For a License**
How young is too young for a driver’s license? Ohio lawmakers think teens need another year of practice before getting a license at age 16 and a half. Under a new, bipartisan proposal, young drivers would need to wait one year after obtaining their temporary learner’s permit before testing for a license. They could still get a permit at age 15 and a half. Read the article at cincinnati.com.
5 Things To Know About Uber's Self-Driving Trucks in Arizona
With few regulations and the support of Gov. Doug Ducey, Arizona has become a haven for self-driving cars. Now, San Francisco-based Uber has taken driverless vehicles in Arizona one step further: freight. The company announced recently that its autonomous trucks have been rolling on Arizona highways since November. Read the article at azcentral.com.

REAL ID Required to Board Flights After Sept. 30, 2020 (California)
California driver’s licenses will no longer be accepted as valid ID on airline flights in the U.S., or at military bases or other secure facilities after September 30th, 2020. Read the article at eastcountymagazine.org.

Big Rigs With Older Engines Will Be Denied Registration in California By the Year 2020
The California Air Resources Board recently announced that by the year 2020 trucks will need to meet health-based requirements in order to obtain Department of Motor Vehicles registrations. In 2020, trucks are required by CARB to be model year 2011 or newer or repowered with a 2010 or newer engine as part of an effort to improve air quality and reduce emissions. Read the article at cdllife.com.

Pet Friendly License Plate Proposal Stalls in Idaho House
Idaho lawmakers are showing little love for their furriest constituents in the final days of the legislative session. A proposal that would have created a "pet friendly" specialty license plate died on the House floor Monday after a series of narrow votes. Read the article at usnews.com.

New Mexico Wins America’s Best License Plate Award
Today, Governor Susana Martinez and the Automobile License Plate Collectors Association (ALPCA) announced that New Mexico's "Chile Capital of the World" license plate is the winner of America's Best License Plate Award for 2017. Read the article at krwg.org.

Supreme Court Denies ‘Private’ Citizen Claim (Wyoming)
The Wyoming Supreme Court has denied Bradly Watsabaugh’s request for justices to overrule traffic charges he faces in Teton County. The Jackson native who says he’s a “private American national” wanted the justices to determine that Teton County Deputy Sheriff Kirsten Larsen had no right to arrest him for driving without a license or insurance. Read the article at jhnewsandguide.com.

Growing Number of Fatal Crashes Involve Older Drivers
Americans are living longer and driving later in their lives, but newly released numbers show a growing threat to the safety of older motorists. A report released by nonprofit transportation research group TRIP finds fatalities in traffic crashes involving drivers 65 years old or older increased 22 percent from 2012 to 2016. Read the article at wtop.com.

Life in the (Regulated) Fast Lane: Companies Must Navigate Global Privacy Rules on Self-Driving Cars
Clearly, it’s an exciting time to be in the autonomous car industry, and the race is on to develop the best tech first. But with the General Data Protection Regulation’s May 25 implementation date looming in the European Union, new ethical guidelines in Germany, changing privacy standards in China and new data privacy regulations being debated in the U.S., engineers aren’t the only ones at autonomous vehicle companies seeking solutions. An increasingly complex legal landscape means in-house lawyers need to focus on compliance with evolving data privacy regulations. Read the article at law.com.

Better Road Designs, Bigger Signs Would Help Older Drivers, Study Says
States should do more to make to make roads safer for older drivers, who are at
increasing risk of dying in crashes, a national study released Tuesday recommended.
The fatality rate of drivers age 65 or older is increasing even faster than their
percentage of all drivers, according to the 27-page study by TRIP, a national
transportation research group. Read the article at post-gazette.com.

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