AAMVA Seeking Jurisdiction Members for Standing Committees, Subcommittees, and Working Groups
AAMVA is seeking additional jurisdiction members for its three standing committees and ten subcommittees and working groups. Participating in a committee, subcommittee, or working group is an ideal way to influence policy, develop best practices and other guidance documents, and network with peers. We anticipate that for most groups there will be both virtual meetings and in-person meetings during FY22. Specific information for each group is on that group’s application. AAMVA pays travel expenses for all jurisdiction members to attend in-person meetings. Visit the Committees and Working Groups page for more information and to apply. AAMVA attempts to maintain jurisdictional and regional balance on all committees and working groups. Please submit all applications to committees@aamva.org by May 28, 2021.

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

**COVID-19 | REGION 1 NEWS COVERAGE**

- Digital driver's licenses gaining momentum amid pandemic (Pennsylvania)

**COVID-19 | REGION 2 NEWS COVERAGE**

- Bill Temporarily Loosening Permit Restrictions for NC Teen Drivers Awaits Cooper's Signature (North Carolina)
- Virginia DMV Offices Adding More Appointments; Vaccinated Customers Can Go Without Masks

**COVID-19 | REGION 3 NEWS COVERAGE**

- Seeking A Marriage or Driver's License In Hennepin County? You Might Wait Awhile (Minnesota)
Ohio BMV Will Resume In-car Driving Tests in June. Use Pre-COVID Model

More Students Heading to DMV for Driving Permit Or License Test After It Was Closed Down Earlier Because of the Coronavirus Pandemic (California)

Visit cdc.gov for more information on COVID-19, guidance, press releases, press kits, and more.

Click It or Ticket Campaign Starts May 24 With Border To Border Kickoff Event In Delaware
During this year’s national Click It or Ticket seat belt campaign, which will take place May 24 through June 6, 2021, the Delaware Office of Highway Safety (DOHS) will be teaming up with law enforcement nationwide for a Border to Border (B2B) kickoff event taking place on Monday, May 24 from 3 pm-7 pm across all 3 Delaware counties. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is asking all states to participate in B2B, a one-day, 4-hour national seat belt awareness event on May 24, coordinated by participating state highway safety offices. The B2B initiative aims to increase law enforcement participation by coordinating highly visible seat belt enforcement for drivers throughout each state across the country. Read the full press release.

Motorcycle, Moped and Scooter Written Test Now Online (New Brunswick)
Service New Brunswick is now offering online written tests for motorcycles, mopeds and scooters. New riders writing the motorcycle test will still have to complete a motorcycle safety course as part of the graduated licencing system. Read the full press release.

Consumer Alert-Attorney General and Division of Motor Vehicles Warn About Reports of Scams Related to New Hampshire
Attorney General John M. Formella and Director Elizabeth A. Bielecki announce that the New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) has received multiple reports of scammers contacting New Hampshire consumers by text message, impersonating DMV employees. Similar scams have been recently reported in other states across the country. Read the full press release.

Governor’s Traffic Safety Committee Promotes Seat Belt Use as Spring Mobilization Begins (New York)
The Governor’s Traffic Safety Committee (GTSC) joined with law enforcement today to announce the kickoff of the annual “Buckle Up New York, Click it or Ticket” campaign. This education and enforcement mobilization runs from May 24 to June 6 to promote seat belt use as the spring travel season ramps up. Read the full press release.

Department of Driver Services (DDS) Expands Commercial Vehicle Testing Options (Georgia)
GA Department of Driver Services (DDS) is making it easier for customers to receive a commercial vehicle road test by increasing the number of third-party testing locations statewide. DDS has initiated a Pilot Program for Truck Driving Schools to become certified to test their students after successfully passing training courses which puts more commercial drivers on the road. Read the press release for more information.
AAMVA offers systems trainings on-demand for members through our new Learning Management System (LMS). Click here to see available courses.

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**Driver Licensing Services to Change in Eight Kentucky Counties**

A new era of driver licensing service will soon begin in eight more Kentucky counties this month. The traditional trip to the local Office of Circuit Court Clerk is being replaced in those counties with a visit to a specialized Driver Licensing Regional Office operated by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. Read more at tristatehomepage.com.

**DPS' Mobile Driver's License Program Delayed Until Next Year, Will Not Meet Statutory Deadline (Mississippi)**

While waiting for a driver’s license in Mississippi has improved significantly, from 90 minutes on average last year to 21 minutes now, residents have to wait even longer to get that ID in digital form, even though state law indicates it must be designed and implemented by July 1. Read more at wdam.com.

**House Passes Bill to Help Oklahomans Become REAL ID Compliant**

The Oklahoma House of Representatives gave final approval to Senate Bill 1057 Thursday. The bill is meant to support tag agencies in helping Oklahomans become REAL ID compliant and adds renewal options of four and eight years. It was presented on the House Floor by Representative Dell Kerbs of Shawnee, who says he believes the bill will help with complications tag agencies were facing. Read more at kswo.com.

**We Are Sharing Hope SC and Donate Life SC Partner with SCDMV for New Campaign (South Carolina)**

We Are Sharing Hope SC and Donate Life SC are partnering with the SCDMV to launch a new campaign called “Be A Star”. The campaign encourages South Carolina residents to sign up for organ donation when they get their new ID. Read more at abcnews4.com.

**Austin's Transportation Department Paving the Way for Rise in Autonomous Vehicle Traffic (Texas)**

With more driverless cars expected to be seen cruising Austin’s roadways over the coming years, city transportation planners are involved in several initiatives aimed at improving local infrastructure to better accommodate the autonomous traffic that could soon be on the rise. Read more at communityimpact.com.

**REGION 3 NEWS**

**Skip the Line: Veterans Can Renew Licenses Without the Wait (Kansas)**

Veterans will get the chance to renew their licenses without the lines. On Wednesday, May 19, veterans can get their licenses updated at the Robert J. Dole VA Medical Center. Read more at ksn.com.

**Merging Technology and Safety in Wisconsin: the New Work Zone**

Envision a work zone in Wisconsin and you’ll likely picture orange barrels, heavy equipment and workers in hard hats. Technology may not come to mind, but it is playing an increasingly important role in keeping motorists and workers safe. In the latest episode of “Transportation Connects Us,” WisDOT engineers discuss the safety benefits of work zone technology like Queue Warning Systems, the Dynamic Late Merge System (zipper merge) and modern work zone inspection equipment. Read more at wisdot.libsyn.com.

**REGION 4 NEWS**

**DMV Simplifies REAL ID Application Process (California)**
Californians applying for a REAL ID from the Department of Motor Vehicles now have one less document to provide during the application process. Following updated federal rules, the DMV no longer requires applicants to provide a Social Security card or W-2 to prove they have a Social Security number. Starting today, Californians can now simply provide their Social Security number. Read more at dmv.ca.gov.

4 More People Indicted in Widening Federal Investigation Into California DMV Corruption
Four more people have been indicted as alleged brokers of fraudulent driver’s licenses in an increasingly widening investigation into corruption within the California Department of Motor Vehicles. Read more at losangeles.cbslocal.com.

DMV Probing Whether Tesla Violates State Regulations With Self-driving Claims (California)
Tesla is “under review” by the California Department of Motor Vehicles to determine whether the electric car maker misleads customers by advertising its “full self-driving capability” option, the agency told The Times. Read more at latimes.com.

Tesla Autopilot System Was On During Fatal California Crash, Adding to Self-driving Safety Concerns
A Tesla Model 3 electric car that was part of a fatal Southern California crash last week had the company’s Autopilot system activated when it careened into an overturned truck in the middle of the night, the Associated Press reported Friday. Read more at washingtonpost.com.

WYDOT Warns of REAL ID Phishing Scam (Wyoming)
The Wyoming Department of Transportation is warning of a multi-state phishing scam targeting drivers regarding their licenses being REAL ID compliant. According to a WYDOT Facebook post, scammers are sending people text messages directing them to a third-party website that asks for personal information. Read more at kgab.com.

Why Smart Roads are Just as Important as Autonomous Vehicles
There’s no doubt that self-driving cars, or autonomous vehicles (AVs), are much safer than the average person-manned vehicle. In fact, more than 90% of serious crashes are due to human error, which means autonomous vehicles have the potential to significantly reduce the number of collisions and save lives. However, there are still plenty of obstacles the technology of AVs has yet to address, including seeing objects behind occlusions like buses or trucks, detecting and anticipating the movements of pedestrians and drivers well ahead of time, and dealing with defective or dirty car sensors. Another complication AV technology has yet to fully evolve is the ability to react appropriately when new and unusual road circumstances arise. Read more at globaltrademag.com.

Self-Driving Cars Pose Crucial Question: Who to Blame in a Crash
A debate over who to blame -- or sue -- when a self-driven car hits someone is holding up legislation the industry says it needs to advance. “If another driver hits you, it’s clear who the driver is,” Sarah Rooney, senior director of federal and regulatory affairs for the American Association for Justice, said. “It’s the human being.” Read more at bloomberg.com.

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.

VA State Police conducted a 3-day enforcement project to improve CMV safety. The Southwest Virginia Blitz resulted in 341 CMVs inspections, including 68 HM inspections. 603 equipment & driver violations were found. 49 CMVs & 19 drivers were placed OOS.
ICYMI: Pennsylvania’s Move Over Law requires you to move over or slow down when you encounter an emergency response area: bit.ly/MoveOverPA

A similar law requires motorists to move over or slow down when approaching a stationary trash or recycling truck. #MoveOver #EMSweek

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Pennsylvania’s Move Over Law was enacted to protect the lives of first responders. Kick off #EMSweek by familiarizing yourself with the law: bit.ly/MoveOverPA

To help keep our roads safe, #MoveOver or #SlowDown if you encounter an emergency scene. #BeSafePA

Pennsylvania’s Move Over Law
Drivers approaching an emergency response area must safely merge or slow down.

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More than a quarter of teen drivers killed in crashes during 2013-17 were driving micro, mini or small cars, and nearly two-thirds were driving 6-15-year-old vehicles. Fatally injured adults crashed in newer, larger vehicles much more often than teens. go.ihs.org/news-teen-veh...
#ORV operators this #MayLongWeekend are reminded to respect private property, wear the proper safety equipment and #NeverDriveImpaired @OFATV #SGBOPP ^dh
Remember to be SMART when traveling in a work zone!

Slow Down
Move Over
Avoid Distractions
Remember to pay attention
Think Safety

Phones must be handsfree when traveling through a designated work zone - It's the law! 📞
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