AAMVA Mourns the Passing of Former Ontario Deputy Minister Rob Fleming

Robert Fleming, former Ontario Road User Safety Division Assistant Deputy Minister, passed away on Thursday, June 7. Rob was active in both the Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators (CCMTA) and in AAMVA, serving on the AAMVA Board of Directors and the Region 1 Board of Directors from 2011-2014. Rob was greatly admired and respected, and his work touched many people across Canada and the U.S. For those who wish, charitable donations can be made in his memory to Glad Tidings Pentecostal Church. Gifts will be directed to global missions projects in keeping with Rob's passions.

Suspended Driver Alternative Reinstatement Working Group Meets

The leadership core of the Suspended Driver Alternative Reinstatement Working Group met in Seattle, Washington on June 6-7, 2018. The core group completed a final draft of tentatively titled Reducing Suspended Drivers and Alternative Reinstatement Best Practices. The document updates the 2013 Reducing Suspended Drivers document and includes expanded focus on young drivers and alternative reinstatement practices. The document is now out for comment with the full working group as well as the Driver and Law Enforcement Standing Committees. AAMVA anticipates publishing this document before the end of 2018.

AAMVA Presents on Electronic Credentials at NAPHSIS

AAMVA participated in last week's annual meeting of the National Association for Public Health Statistics and Information Systems (NAPHSIS). As part of a session on the security challenges facing the NAPHSIS members, the work that they do with vital records and the underlying information systems managing birth and death data, AAMVA's Director of Identity Management, Geoff Slagle, provided an overview of the ongoing evolution of the driver license/identification credentials and what the electronic frontier will likely look like in the future. He was joined by AAMVA Associate Members Rob Mikell from Idemia, and Jorge Castrillo from HID Global for a demonstration carousel where three shared examples of what potential solutions within the realm of shared standards can look like.

Maine BMV Will Offer Non-Binary Gender Licenses

Maine will be the first state in New England and the third in the country to offer an option of a non-binary gender designation on driver's licenses and identification cards. The Maine Bureau of Motor Vehicles announced Monday it will begin issuing a sticker for licenses or IDs that reads “Gender has been changed to X – non-binary” for people who have completed a gender designation form. Read the article at pressherald.com.

DMV Clerk Accused of Taking Bribes for Years in Ticket-Fixing Scheme (New York)

A clerk at the Harlem office of the state’s Department of Motor Vehicles took bribes for
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**OUR WEBINARS**

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- June 19, 2018, 2-3 pm (ET)  
  NMVTIS State Web Interface (SWI) – How to Correct Title and Brand Data on the Central Site

- June 26, 2018, 2-3 pm (ET)  
  NMVTIS State Web Interface (SWI) – Instant Title Verification Using the VIN Search Feature

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**OPEN RFPs**

- AAMVA RFP FY18-081: General Services Contract for Conferences  
  **Deadline:** June 22, 2018

- NY DMV RFP C00890: DMV System Modernization  
  **Deadline:** July 31, 2018

- AAMVA: How to Become a Licensed Manufacturer of the AAMVA Optical Variable Device  
  **Deadline:** Open

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**Systems Training**

After 2016 Russian Hack Attempts on Pennsylvania Voter Data, Registration System to be Audited

Pennsylvania Auditor General Eugene DePasquale said Monday that his office will evaluate the security of the state’s voter-registration system, a target of Russian hackers before the 2016 presidential election. [Read the article at philly.com](#).

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Pennsylvania DOT to Discuss Regulations with Autonomous Vehicle Operators

Autonomous vehicle operators will have a hand in shaping regulations that will govern how they test the technology on public roads. Within the next few weeks, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation plans to meet one-on-one with the five self-driving car entities in the state. [Read the article at wesa.fm](#).

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Rhode Island Gubernatorial Candidate Brown Pledges to Create Driver’s License System for All Immigrants

Gov. Gina Raimondo’s Democratic primary challenger Matt Brown is taking a page out of her 2014 playbook by promising Rhode Island drivers’ licenses to immigrants, regardless of whether they are in the United States legally. [Read the article at providencejournal.com](#).

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South Florida DMV Workers Accused of Driver License Fraud, Racketeering

Two South Florida DMV workers are facing a number of charges after authorities say they gave driver's licenses to people who didn't complete the state's driving exam. Lori Andre, 32, and Brittany Renee Jones, 29, were arrested Tuesday on charges including racketeering, official misconduct, driver license fraud and offenses against intellectual property, arrest warrants showed. According to the warrants, the woman gave driver's licenses to at least five people who didn't pass the exam, and even modified information in the state's database. [Read the article at nbcmiami.com](#).

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Lawsuit Seeks to End North Carolina Driver License Revocation Policy

How much is a driver’s license worth? Social justice groups are suing the N.C. Department of Motor Vehicles for revoking low-income drivers of their licenses over unpaid fines and court costs, which they say is predatory and runs counter to state and federal law. The Southern Poverty Law Center, American Civil Liberties Union, ACLU of North Carolina and Southern Coalition for Social Justice are litigating in federal court to block DMV’s practice, which they contend forces the poor deeper into poverty and violates the U.S. Constitution’s due process and equal protection guarantees under the 14th Amendment. [Read the article at thecharlottepostcom](#).

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Texas Serves Up Buffet of Designs to Fill Your License Plate

When it comes to license plates, I’ve always been a no-frills kind of guy. Send me whatever the basic plate is, and I’ll get on down the road. And as it turns out, that’s the case with about 96 percent of you out there, whose cars bear the white plate with a small star, black letters saying “Texas” at the top and “The Lone Star State” at the bottom, along with the plate letters and numbers. [Read the article at mystatesman.com](#).

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Texas DMV Halts Parts of Online Paper License Plate System Amid Fraud Concerns

Some drivers who need a temporary paper license plate for their vehicle will no longer be able to get one from the Texas Department of Motor Vehicle's website after the state agency suspended portions of its online system. [View the story at kxan.com](#).

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Virginia to Require Real ID for U.S. Air Travel for Most Passengers

If you have a Virginia driver's license, eventually you won't be able to use it to travel years to fix tickets, while another steered cases to lawyers for cash and meals, authorities said Friday. [Read the article at nypost.com](#).
domestically from any airport. That's because of new federal guidelines the Commonwealth is working to comply with. Traditional licenses will become a thing of the past when it comes to getting through security at the airport. We're still two years away from that happening, but come October, you'll be able to purchase the new license that Virginia is finalizing right now. Read the article at nbc12.com.

**REGION 3 NEWS**

**Testing of Autonomous Vehicles Coming Soon on Ohio Roads**
It’s all systems go on Ohio’s highways after Gov. John R. Kasich signed an executive order May 9 that will allow testing of autonomous vehicles on the state’s roads. The cars, according to the order, must meet safety requirements and be capable of obeying traffic regulations. According to DriveOhio, the state's center for smart mobility, those wishing to test an autonomous vehicle must first register with the state and make sure the vehicle is safe for operation. Read the article at tribtoday.com.

**REGION 4 NEWS**

**DMV Investigators Halt Attempted Fraud, Leads to Extradition (Nevada)**
On Friday, June 1, 2018, Nevada Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) officials stopped an effort by a California man to obtain a fraudulent identification card at the DMV location in Reno, where the man was subsequently arrested. The individual, Joseph Eugene Davis, 71, of Santa Clara County, California, entered the Reno DMV with both a social security card and California birth certificate in the name of another person. While at the service desk, the Technician working with the individual recognized an issue with the documents and confirmed the mismatch through the DMV’s verification process. The technician immediately alerted the DMV’s Compliance Enforcement Officers. Read the press release.

**Washington Will Comply with Real ID, but Your License May Still Have Restrictions**
Starting July 1, 2018, the Department of Licensing (DOL) will update all standard driver licenses and ID cards with the language, “federal limits apply,” but the documents will still not be at the level required for domestic flights and other uses. This change aims to bring Washington into compliance with the federal Real ID Act, which requires all states to mark identification documents that do not comply with the federal law. DOL says that they expect to be in full compliance with the REAL ID Act by fall 2018. Read the article at kxro.com.

**OTHER NEWS**

**Kia, Hyundai Recall 1.1M Vehicles Due to Risk Air Bags Might Not Deploy**
Kia is recalling more than 500,000 2010 through 2013 models due to the risk that the air bag and seat belt pretensioners might not deploy in the event of a crash. ... When combined with a previous recall from affiliated automaker Hyundai for the same issue, the affected number of vehicles is closer to 1.1 million. Read the article at mlive.com.

**FHWA Launches Series of National Meetings on Automated Vehicles**
The U.S. Department of Transportation’s Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) today launched a series of meetings with key stakeholders to discuss the ramifications of automated vehicles on U.S. roads. The “national dialogue” meetings are being held across the country to engage a diverse group of stakeholders from industry and the public sector to understand the key areas of interest and concern. Read the press release.
**GHSA and Responsibility.org Provide Funding for Law Enforcement to Address Drug-Impaired Driving**

For the third consecutive year, the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA) and the Foundation for Advancing Alcohol Responsibility (Responsibility.org) are awarding grants to help states combat the growing challenge of drug-impaired driving. In 2018, five states – Idaho, Minnesota, New York, Rhode Island and Vermont – will receive nearly $100,000 to provide advanced training, information and skills to detect drivers under the influence of drugs. [Read the press release](https://www.magnetmail.net/design/preview.cfm?message_id=15670345).

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**On Twitter**

@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.).

Stay on top of the chatter in the MVA and LE community. You may be surprised at what you’re missing! [Follow @AAMVAConnection](https://twitter.com/AAMVAConnection).

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**EndDD.org @end_dd | View the Tweet**

In the Lakeland, FL area? Attend the community forum tomorrow night on #distracteddriving. EndDD’s Joel Feldman will be the keynote speaker. @HealthyFla @MyFDOT @floridasadd @Safe_Roads @TeenSafeCom @impactdrivers @RoadToZeroUS @NHTSAgov @floridajuste @CDCInjury @NSCesafety

**FLHSMV @FLHSMV | View the Tweet**

The department has not experienced a widespread data breach; rather, we received an inquiry that a record had potentially been improperly obtained and is investigating in coordination with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.
Officers are attending an Advanced Commercial Vehicle Crash Investigation training session today in Auburn Hills. The training is part of OHSP/TIA Advanced Crash Reconstruction Training classes.