Register Now for AAMVA's Region 4 Membership Meeting
Don't forget to register for next week's Region 4 Annual Membership Meeting, on July 22 from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm (PT). The meeting will include an update from the region's leadership team and Anne Ferro, AAMVA's President & CEO, as well as the annual election of the region’s board of directors. Click here to register.

FEATURED NEWS

Mobile Driver's Licenses Could Pave Way for More Digital IDs (AAMVA Mention)
More and more states are rolling out digital driver’s licenses, and experts see that trend continuing as federal standards take shape and citizens embrace an improved government experience...In motor vehicle regulation, the pandemic accelerated what has been a gradual transition to serving customers remotely. “The evolution of mobile driver’s licenses and the recognition of being able to do transactions without exchanging a physical document certainly fits within that,” said Ian Grossman, vice president of member services and public affairs for the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA). Read more at governing.com.

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 | NATIONAL NEWS COVERAGE

- Cops Scramble To Deal With Deadly Road Rage During Pandemic
- New AAA Study Reveals How Driving Changed During COVID-19 Pandemic
- IDEMIA to Advance Work on Digital Identity, Contactless Biometrics Post-Pandemic

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COVID-19 | REGION 1 NEWS COVERAGE

- MDOT Reminding Marylanders Fast Approaching Deadline To Renew Expired IDs & Driver Licenses
- Rhode Island DMV Makes Appointment-Only Policy Permanent

COVID-19 | REGION 2 NEWS COVERAGE

- Staffing Shortages Impact Customers, Wait Times at NC DMV (North Carolina)
- DMV Bringing Back Traditional Road Skills Testing (Virginia)
- WV Drivers Have More Time To Get REAL ID (West Virginia)

COVID-19 | REGION 3 NEWS COVERAGE

- Driver’s License, State ID Extension Bills Sent to Governor (Michigan)

COVID-19 | REGION 4 NEWS COVERAGE

- Appointments at the Pueblo County DMV Booked Through September as They Deal With Being ‘Critically’ Understaffed (Colorado)
- Hawaii Streamlines Travel Entry With Clear Health Pass

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

REGION 1 NEWS

ZeroDeathsMD.gov: The New Home for Maryland’s Highway Safety Office
The Maryland Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration's (MDOT MVA) Highway Safety Office has launched its new ZeroDeathsMD.gov website, designed to ensure Marylanders have vital safety information right at their fingertips. Read more at southernmarylandchronicle.com.

Statewide Auto Thefts Increase, DMV Reports (New York)
The New York State Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Tuesday warned vehicle owners of a rise in thefts in New York City and across the state, reminding drivers of ways to protect their vehicles from being stolen. Read more at news10.com.

REGION 2 NEWS

Go Ahead, Create Your Own Special Plate — WTHN RSN (Florida)
If you want to go beyond driving around showing the causes you care about on your license plate, or the school you went to, or the branch of the military you served in, you can always opt for a personalized, or vanity, plate. That’s when you create your own message for your plate...But here’s a heads-up. A personalized plate doesn’t give you license to get away with just any message saying anything. Read more at fortmyers.floridaweekly.com.

Goodyear Testing Experimental Road Tire That Doesn't Use Air (Florida)
Goodyear is pumped up about a new tire that doesn't need air. Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. on Tuesday said it is now testing a non-pneumatic, or airless,
tire and wheel assembly on autonomous shuttles in a city setting in Jacksonville, Fla. Read more at beaconjournal.com.

New Texas Law Changes Who Can Park in Handicap Spots
Heads up Texans, especially those parking in the handicap spots. There's a new law that goes into effect September 1 that addresses who and who can't park in a handicap spot. Turns out that not everybody that can park in a handicap accessible spot needs to. Read more at ktemnews.com.

How To Spot the Latest Scam Texts, Emails Targeting Texans (Texas)
The Texas Department of Motor Vehicles says online criminals are targeting Texas drivers with messages that look like they're coming from the state agency. Here's what to look for and what to do if you get one of these messages. Read more at nbcdfw.com.

Governor Parson Signs off on Missouri's First Gas Tax Hike in More Than Two Decades
Missouri drivers can expect to pay more for gas this fall after Gov. Mike Parson signed the state’s first fuel tax raise in decades into law...The gas tax hike is expected to generate $460 million annually for the state’s roads and bridges. Read more at kcur.org.

DMV To Offer REAL ID Services at Select SoCal Automobile Club Locations (California)
Automobile Club of Southern California members will soon be able to obtain REAL IDs at 19 Southland locations under a pilot program in partnership with the DMV set to roll out by the end of the month. AAA offices in Arcadia and Alhambra are among those taking part in the program, the DMV said in a written statement. Read more at pasadenanow.com.

Saskatoon Police Slap 'Dangerous Driver' With a $977 Ticket (Saskatchewan)
A driver caught speeding in Saskatoon is facing a hefty fine after getting caught driving nearly 70 kilometres per hour over the speed limit. That's according to the Saskatoon Police Service traffic unit...According to police, the driver was travelling at 156 km/h in the 90 zone. Read more at saskatoon.ctvnews.ca.

Widespread AV Adoption Starts With Driver Assistance Systems Consumers Can Trust
In the past year, many of the conversations around autonomous vehicles (AVs) have been dominated by the same question: When will self-driving cars be the norm on public roads? ...Consumer confidence and mass adoption of AVs go hand in hand. To meet the projected timelines and start building this critical trust today, automakers should accelerate the adoption of autonomous
capabilities into advanced driver assistance systems (ADAS). Read more at techcrunch.com.

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**FMCSA Plans To Increase Windshield Area To Mount Safety Devices**
The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration has issued a proposal to amend its regulations to increase the allowable area vehicle safety technology devices may be mounted on the interior of commercial motor vehicle windshields...And it would add items to the definition of vehicle safety technology in response to a 2019 rulemaking petition from Daimler Trucks North America. Read more at ttnews.com.

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**18 Attorneys General Call for Improved Car-Seat Standards Following CBS News Reports**
Attorneys general in 17 states and the District of Columbia are demanding federal regulators create a side-impact crash-test standard and better labeling standards for children's car seats...The letter follows CBS News and ProPublica reports last year that found some booster seats got a passing grade during side-impact crash tests despite the test dummies being violently tossed around. Read more at cbsnews.com.

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**The Self-Driving Race Between Elon Musk's Tesla and Domino’s Pizza Robots**
Tesla and Elon Musk are pressing ahead with full self-driving even amid blown deadlines, safety issues, and multi-billion-dollar efforts from Alphabet-backed Waymo and GM-backed Cruise continue. But some autonomous vehicle start-ups are making big bets the future will be smaller, ‘zero-occupant’ vehicles including three-wheelers that deliver pizza. Read more at cnbc.com.

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**US Senate Confirms Senior Transportation Nominee, Others Await Consideration**
A nominee for a senior policy post at the U.S. Department of Transportation was recently confirmed by the U.S. Senate while other DOT nominees await votes before the full chamber or in committee. The Senate easily confirmed Carlos Monje as under secretary of transportation for policy, the third most senior management role at the department. He received unanimous approval. Read more at ttnews.com.

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**TRB Panelists Talk Automated Trucking’s Implications on Driver Shortage, Safety**
Automated trucking applications, particularly in the longhaul sector, have the potential to help alleviate some of the strains associated with the industrywide driver shortage, a panel of experts told researchers. Read more at ttnews.com.

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**Study: Rudest Drivers by State**
We have all encountered rude drivers on the road. Sometimes, it might seem like your state has more than its fair share. But which states actually have the rudest drives? Bankrate did some research to determine which states could use a little politeness training from the DMV. Read more at bankrate.com.

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**FCC Seeks To Enable State-of-the-Art Radar Sensors in 60 GHZ Band**

The Federal Communications Commission today proposed and sought comment on updated rules for short-range radars in the 60 GHz spectrum band. Cutting edge radar sensing technology has been used to enable in-car radar-based technology to monitor for children left in dangerous, hot cars and touchless control of devices, including to promote accessibility for users with mobility or speech impairments. Read more at streetinsider.com.

**FedEx Using Nuro Autonomous EVs for Deliveries**
FedEx (FDX) recently announced a multi-year deal with Nuro to use the latter’s autonomous delivery vehicle for its operations. The addition of Nuro’s next-generation autonomous vehicles expands FedEx’s portfolio of autonomous same-day delivery vehicles and devices. Read more at nasdaq.com.

**Werner Introduces New App for [Commercial] Drivers**
Werner Enterprises launched a new app to help make work easier for its professional drivers, the company announced July 9. The Drive Werner Pro app offers drivers access to trip details and load statuses, and allows them to search job opportunities, submit paperwork, contact their transportation manager and find documents. Read more at ttnews.com.

**Electric Vehicle Charging Company Electrify America to Double Number of EV Chargers**
Electrify America, an electric vehicle charging network funded with money paid by Volkswagen as punishment for its emissions cheating scandal, says it plans to more than double its number of charging stations throughout the United States and Canada. Read more at usatoday.com.

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**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.

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Our Car Seat Finder is a quick easy-to-use tool that helps you find the right car seat. Just fill in your child’s age and size, and you’ll be provided with a list of car seats that fit your child. NHTSA.gov/TheRightSeat
This week #CADMV Director Steve Gordon visited AAA offices in Los Angeles and San Diego to announce our #REALID partnership.

Members may be able to get a #REALID at select AAA offices in Southern California for a limited time! 🐻🌟

More info: bit.ly/3hENHbB

#DMV #SoCal

This driver was placed out of service today for operating with a load about to fall onto the roadway. Kudos to the alert motorist calling 911 and @iowastatepatrol getting him stopped. Could have been much worse. Driver was aware of the issue and drove anyway.
Major Andrew Dean attended the Senate Bill 60 Signing today at the Kansas Statehouse.

Senate Bill 60 increases penalties for fleeing or attempting to elude a LEO when operating a stolen vehicle, committing certain driving violations or causing a crash involving another driver.

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DYK you can enroll as an organ donor on Mass.Gov/RMV? Register today and #DonateLife ow.ly/C1jd3oaxC
@DLNewEngland
Today during #OperationSafeDriver, we conducted a Trooper In A Truck selective. Chief Industries sponsored the selective working between Wood River and Giltner. Troopers were focusing on risky driving behaviors from all vehicles. #DriveSafe

@CVSA

#NSP311 #NSP34 #NSP139 #NSP496

Today we officially unveiled the new Driver’s License Kiosk at our library. Thank you so much to all the dignitaries and state and local officials who came out to see the new kiosk. More information on available services:

tn.gov/.../driver-ser......

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