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### OUR EVENTS

#### SEPTEMBER

11-12 | [2018 September State-to-State User Group Meeting](#) San Antonio, TX

26-27 | [2018 September Autonomous Vehicles Best Practices Working Group](#) Kansas City, MO

### SYSTEMS TRAINING

\*Register for the following training sessions [HERE](#).

#### SEPTEMBER CDLIS & PDPS

5 | [CD03 State-to-State Status Request \(intermediate\)](#)

6 | [CD04 State-to-State History Request \(intermediate\)](#)

### Annual International Conference Wraps Up

The [2018 Annual International Conference \(AIC\)](#) has wrapped up in Philadelphia. Thank you to all attendees and exhibitors for making the conference a success. A special thank you to outgoing Chair of AAMVA's Board of Directors, Kurt Myers, and his staff for hosting the conference. Presentations from the event will be available on AAMVA's Web site soon! Until then, feel free to browse through the [photo albums](#) on AAMVA's Flickr page.

### AAMVA Participates in the International Association of Auto Theft Investigators (IAATI) Training Seminar

AAMVA participated in the [2018 IAATI Training Seminar](#) held August 6-9 in Pittsburgh, PA. AAMVA's Law Enforcement Program Manager, Paul Steier, provided an update from the U.S. Department of Justice on the NMVTIS program as well as on the use of the NMVTIS Law Enforcement Access Tool (LEAT). Paul was joined by Les Cravens, Director of Law Enforcement with Auto Data Direct, who provided training on utilizing NMVTIS LEAT to detect title fraud and other vehicle crimes. Mr. Cravens serves as a Technical Advisor to the [NMVTIS Law Enforcement Working Group](#).

### Colorado Conducts NMVTIS Transactions Online

AAMVA is very pleased to announce that Colorado implemented online updates and inquiry in the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System ([NMVTIS](#)). Colorado previously conducted batch updates and inquiries through State Web Interface. Congratulations, Colorado! For more information about NMVTIS federal compliance requirements, please contact [Marney Michalowski](#), NMVTIS Program Manager.

### REGION 1 NEWS

### 'It's a Delaware Thing:' Low-Numbered License Plate Sells for \$410K

Low-numbered Delaware license plates are in demand. Someone paid \$410,000 for the plate bearing the number 20 when it went up for auction Sunday. John Wakefield, of Delaware Tag Traders, likens the license plate auction to baseball cards. He says "it's a Delaware thing." [Read the article at nbcphiladelphia.com](#).

### Advocates Seek Driver's Licenses for Undocumented Immigrants (Massachusetts)

Undocumented immigrants are not able to obtain driver's licenses in Massachusetts, as they need to prove lawful residence. "This is one of the things that makes Massachusetts complicit," in its support of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, or ICE, Gabriel said outside the courthouse. Cosecha is currently campaigning for undocumented immigrants to obtain driver's licenses, in the wake of updated licensing requirements under the REAL ID law that require someone to prove lawful immigration status. [Read the article at eagletribune.com](#).

11 | [Introduction to the National Driver Register \(basic\)](#)

12 | [PDPS Identity Correction \(intermediate\)](#)

13 | [PDPS State to State and NDR Generated Trans \(intermediate\)](#)

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25 | [CD01 Search Inquiry \(intermediate\)](#)

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## SEPTEMBER SPEXS TRAINING

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### OUR WEBINARS

**August 28, 2018 -**  
[NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) – Instant Title Verification Using the VIN Search Feature](#)

**August 30, 2018 -**  
[NMVTIS Suspense Resolution for Online States \(AMIE Version\) – Part 1](#)

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### OPEN RFPs

## Massachusetts Drivers Increase Rate of Buckling Up

Massachusetts drivers are buckling up more, a trend that will save lives, officials and advocates said, but Massachusetts still remains one of the worst states in the nation at clicking in. [Read the article at bostonherald.com.](#)

## Workers, Advocates Push State to Provide Standard Driver's Licenses for Immigrant Farmworkers (New York)

City representatives, workers, farmers and advocates gathered at City Hall Tuesday to urge New York state to focus on legislation that would allow immigrant farmworkers to obtain driver's licenses, regardless of immigration status. The Driver's License Access and Privacy Act came up before the state Legislature in April, and would pave the way for undocumented immigrants to obtain licenses. [Read the article at democratandchronicle.com.](#)

## REGION 2 NEWS

### Gainesville, Florida, Greenlights Countdown App for Traffic Signals

Motorists in Gainesville, Fla., can now watch the traffic signal they are sitting at count down from red to green. [Read the article at govtech.com.](#)

### Driver's License Changes Coming in 2020 (Kentucky)

There are changes coming to Kentucky driver's licenses. Beginning Oct. 1, 2020, standard licenses will no longer be accepted to board U.S. flights or enter select federal facilities and military bases. All Kentucky driver's licenses, permits and personal IDs will have new security features, arrive in the mail in 5 to 10 business days after residents apply at the circuit clerk's office, and transition to an eight-year lifespan. [Read the article at themoreheadnews.com.](#)

### Texas DMV Struggles to Define a Dune Buggy, Punts the Task to the State's Legislature

After tossing aside a proposed ruling that would definitively outlaw all but a minority of dune buggies in the state, the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles Board of Directors effectively left it to the state's legislators to determine what constitutes a dune buggy and whether the state should allow them on the road. [Read the article at hemmings.com.](#)

### Limited Edition 100th Anniversary Texas License Plate Being Offered by TxDMV

To mark the 100th anniversary of the standardized Texas license plate design, implemented in 1917, the TxDMV introduced a special 100 year plate. Texans who want to show their state pride by displaying this plate on their vehicle must order before the end of August 2018. [Read the article at kveo.com.](#)

### A New Virginia License Plate Seeks to Build Consensus

Can't we all just get along? The answer is yes, at least according to the folks at Resolution Virginia. That's an association that represents mediators, those trained professionals who sit down with fractious parties — divorcing parents, landlords and tenants, employees and bosses — and try to get them on the same page. To that end, the group has unveiled a new special license plate available to drivers in the commonwealth. [Read the article at washingtonpost.com.](#)

## REGION 3 NEWS

### Governor Bruce Rauner Signs New Multiyear Vehicle Registration Bill (Illinois)

Governor Bruce Rauner signed legislation Monday — sponsored by state Sen. Dan McConchie, R-Hawthorn Woods, and state Rep. Mark Batinick, R-Plainfield — giving motorists the option to register their vehicles for more than a year at a time. House Bill 4259, which passed the House and Senate unanimously, allows motorists to register their vehicles for one or two years beginning in 2021. [Read the article at nwherald.com.](#)

**[AAMVA RFP FY18-103: AAMVA  
Region 3 Chief Administrators  
Meeting](#)**

*Deadline: August 30, 2018*

## **Illinoisans Could See License Suspended for Texting While Driving Under New State Law**

A new state law could result in a suspended license for drivers operating handheld electronic devices while behind the wheel. Beginning next summer, Illinois motorists will face stiffer penalties for using electronics behind the wheel. Governor Bruce Rauner signed into law House Bill 4846 on Aug. 14, which recategorizes first-time offences for drivers distracted by handheld gadgets – such as cellphones or GPS devices – as “moving violations.” [Read the article at illinoispolicy.org.](#)

## **Tribal IDs Approved as Voter Identification in Iowa**

Tribal ID cards will now be accepted as valid forms of identification in Iowa for voter ID and Election Day registration. It was made possible through a bill passed in May, and being crafted with the Secretary of State Paul Pate's office's assistance, according to a release from Pate's office. Pate made the announcement Tuesday in Tama county at a Voter Ready roundtable discussion. [Read the article at siouxlandproud.com.](#)

## **Iowa's Texting While Driving Law Has a Loophole That May Give Distracted Drivers an Out**

As Heather Hughes stopped at a red light in Urbandale, an alert sounded on her cell phone. It was around 9:30 p.m. on a Sunday in early January and few vehicles were on the road. She took her phone out of her purse and turned off the alert. That's when a police officer nearby saw the phone's glow and pulled Hughes over. [Read the article at desmoinesregister.com.](#)

## **Highway Patrol Superintendent Joins IACP Executive Board (South Dakota)**

The superintendent of South Dakota's Highway Patrol has been elected to the executive board of a worldwide law enforcement organization. Col. Craig Price will join the executive board of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP). [Read the press release.](#)

## **REGION 4 NEWS**

## **Pursuit of New CDL Training Requirements in California Advances**

A bill nearing passage in California's Assembly chamber is intended to improve safety on the state's roadways by implementing new federal commercial driver regulations. Additional truck driver safety requirements would also be added. [Read the article at landlinemag.com.](#)

## **California on Track to Exceed 2 Million in New Vehicle Sales for Four Straight Years**

The pace of sales for new cars and trucks in California continues to slow but the state remains on track to exceed 2 million new vehicle registrations for the fourth consecutive year. The latest quarterly report from the California New Car Dealers Association (CNCDA) came out Tuesday, showing slightly more than 1 million new vehicles were sold in the first half of this year, a decline of 2.2 percent over the first two quarters of last year. [Read the article at sandiegotribune.com.](#)

## **Some Hawaii ID's Will Not Be Accepted by TSA in 2020**

Your Hawaii State ID or driver's license may not be accepted by airport security officers after October 2020. There is a way to avoid stress when you have to deal with getting your drivers license. The City and County of Honolulu switched to an appointment system for license renewals and issues. But the no-show rate is 30 percent and that adds to more problems for everyone. [Read the article at hawaiipublicradio.org.](#)

## **New Mexico Settles Suit Over Driver's Licenses**

Civil rights groups say it should be easier for New Mexicans to get a driver's license under a settlement agreement they have reached with the state in a lawsuit over a controversial 2016 law that has caused frustration and confusion at Motor Vehicles Division offices. [Read the article at santafenewmexican.com.](#)

## New Impaired Laws About to Take Effect (Saskatchewan)

New, stronger laws related to impaired driving introduced back in November will be coming into effect soon. "Consequences for impaired driving were already tough," shared Tyler McMurchy, Manager for Media Relations with SGI, "and as of September 1st, they're going to be even tougher. This includes stronger penalties for drug-impaired drivers and for impaired drivers who transport children." [Read the article at discoverestevan.com.](#)

## Feds May Require Utah to Redesign, Reissue All Driver Licenses to Make Sure They Comply with Airport Security

Utah lawmakers are upset that the federal government is trying to make the state reprint and reissue all of its driver licenses — to include a gold star on front — or its residents might not be able to use them to get through airport security. It's a problem that could cost the state up to \$5 million. [Read the article at strib.com.](#)

## Washington State New License/ID Numbering Format

Starting September 4, 2018, Washington State will begin issuing driver licenses and ID cards with a new numbering format to increase identity protection and to expand the number of licenses the state can issue to meet population growth. [Read the press release.](#)

## OTHER NEWS

## Ford Recalls 50,000 Hybrid and Electric Car Power Cables Due to Fire Risk

Ford is recalling the charging cords for more than 50,000 plug-in hybrid and electric cars in North America because they could cause fires in electrical outlets. [Read the article at usatoday.com.](#)

## Even as Cars Get Safer, Traffic Fatalities Still High

The U.S is on pace to record close to 40,000 roadway and highway deaths for the third consecutive year, according to preliminary figures released Wednesday by the National Safety Council. The silver lining in those dark numbers is that the number of people dying each year in traffic collisions nationwide appears to be leveling off after two years of sharp increases. [Read the article at npr.org.](#)

## Study Says Teens Continue to Engage in Risky Behaviors While Driving

As the new school year gets cranked up, experts are putting out a warning about the dangers of distracted driving. A new study by Texas A&M Transportation Institute shows that teenagers are continuing to engage in risky behavior while behind the wheel. [Read the article at 3newsnow.com.](#)

## DID YOU KNOW?

### On Twitter

@AAMVACconnection 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 @AAMVACconnection.](#)

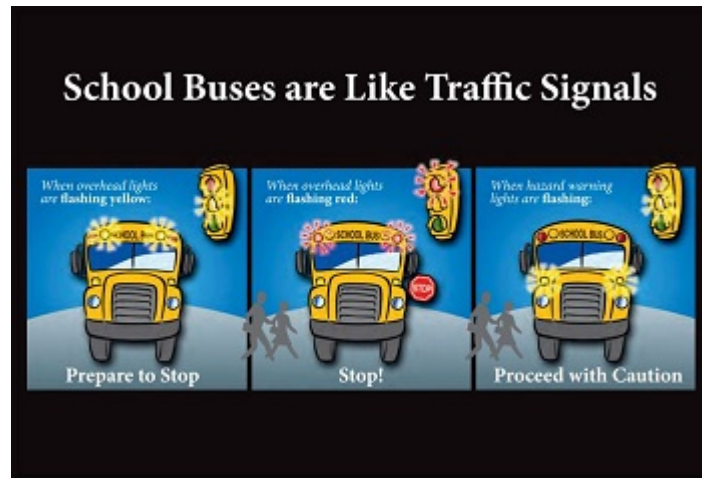
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MI OHSP @MIOHSP | [View the Tweet](#)

School is starting all around the state this week which means you'll be seeing school buses on the roads again. Remember, when you see one with flashing lights on, you treat it like a traffic signal.



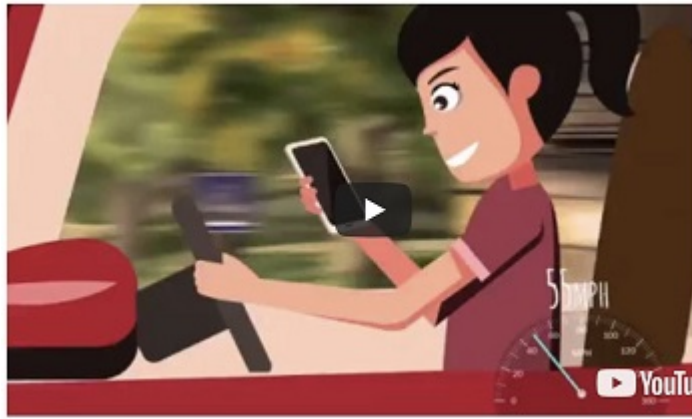
### KDOT @KDOHQ | [View the Tweet](#)

We share this photo a lot, but we are still seeing people driving in the rain without their headlights on. If your wipers are on, your headlights should be as well. #WipersonHeadlightsOn It's #kansas law.



### EndDD.org @end\_dd | [View the Tweet](#)

Sending or reading a text takes your eyes off the road for 4.6 seconds. At 55 mph, that's like driving the length of an entire football field, blindfolded. Our PSA animation illustrates these dangers. <http://ow.ly/EZdn30li5u2> #EndDD #DistractedDriving #TextingWhileDriving




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**CHP Headquarters @CHP\_HQ | [View the Tweet](#)**

Did you know it is illegal to be in the fast lane and drive UNDER the posted speed limit? To reduce congestion, move over to the right lane to allow other vehicles to pass.




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**New Jersey MVC @NJ\_MVC | [View the Tweet](#)**

#Congratulations Chief @suefulton on being appointed to the @aamvaconnection International Board #2018aic.


**Debra Coffey @DebraCoffey56 | [View the Tweet](#)**

#AAMVA 2018 in Philadelphia with the Coalition of Ignition Interlock Manufacturers #2018aic @ Philadelphia Marriott Downtown

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