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**New Administrators' Orientation**

AAMVA hosted 10 jurisdictional members for the annual New Administrators' Orientation last week. AAMVA President & CEO Anne Ferro and AAMVA staff gave the new administrators a briefing on how the association works and the resources AAMVA provides to help in their home jurisdictions. The new administrators also had a meet-and-greet with AAMVA employees, and had plenty of opportunities to ask questions about their association.

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## OUR EVENTS

## JANUARY

**11 | Industry Advisory Board**  
 Orlando, Florida

**AAMVA Issues Special Alert: TSA to Begin Enforcement of REAL ID Requirements in January 2018**

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will begin posting signs at airports notifying travelers that beginning January 2018 it will start enforcing REAL ID requirements at airport security checkpoints, meaning that travelers seeking to use their state-issued driver's license or identification card for boarding commercial aircraft may only use such documents if they are issued by a REAL ID compliant state or a non-compliant state with an extension. AAMVA issued a [Special Alert](#) on December 12 that provides more information about REAL ID, and includes links to check the status of [your state's REAL ID compliance](#), [acceptable identification documents](#), and TSA's [frequently asked questions](#).

**NMVTIS Business Rules Working Group Seeks to Fill Three Vacancies**

The NMVTIS Business Rules Working Group currently has three vacancies to fill. The Working Group is seeking one jurisdiction member with experience in the NMVTIS business process, and two jurisdiction members with NMVTIS information technology experience. Eligible applicants will be expected to attend in-person and virtual meetings.

If you are interested in volunteering for this Working Group, [please complete the application](#) and submit to [committees@aamva.org](mailto:committees@aamva.org) **no later than February 1, 2017**. If you have any questions regarding the Working Group, please visit [the group's web page](#), or contact [Casey Garber](#).

## REGION I NEWS

**DMV to Begin Issuing 8-Year Long Driver Licenses (Delaware)**

The DMV will start issuing 8-year driver license renewals on Monday, December 12, 2016. Beginning Monday, the Division of Motor Vehicles will start issuing 8-year driver license renewals to all licensed drivers. [Read the full story at Delaware1059.com](#).

**Maryland Unveils New Mobile Breath Testing Truck**

**11-12 | Board of Directors Meeting**

Orlando, Florida

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Complete details and registration information are available on AAMVA's Web site at [www.aamva.org/systems-training/](http://www.aamva.org/systems-training/)

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Check out AAMVA's [Open RFPs page](#) for potential opportunities.

It is the time of year law enforcement really steps-up drunken driving enforcement. During December, Maryland averages 13 driving under the influence deaths and 280 injuries. But there is a new tool being used in the fight: the first mobile breath testing truck of its kind in the state of Maryland. The truck is 27,000 pounds, 13 feet high and costs \$425,000. The seats in the truck are intended for suspected drunken drivers. [Read the full story at WBALTV.com.](#)

**State to Eliminate Vehicle Registration Stickers (Pennsylvania)**

Pennsylvania is doing away with renewal stickers for license plates in a change designed to save millions. The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation will stop issuing the stickers at the end of December, producing more than \$3 million in annual savings of production and mail costs. [Read the full story at IndianaGazette.com.](#)

**As Trump Calls For Deportation, ACLU Seeks Added Protection For DMV Data (Vermont)**

Vermont officials say immigrants living in the state illegally don't need to worry that information they gave the Department of Motor Vehicles to get "driver's privilege cards" will cause trouble with federal immigration authorities. But privacy advocates are looking to the state to implement more protections. [Read the full story at Digital.VPR.net.](#)

**REGION II NEWS****DMV Records Show Virginia on Track for Fewer Traffic Deaths**

Virginia is on track to have one of the least deadly years on the roads in the past several decades. According to records from the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles, so far in 2016, 675 people have died in traffic crashes, which is down from 2015, when a total of 753 people were killed. [Read the full story at Newsplex.com.](#)

**REGION III NEWS****BMV's Ride Safe Indiana Completes Record Breaking Inaugural Season**

Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) Commissioner Kent Abernathy says the first training season for Ride Safe Indiana (RSI) is drawing to a close with a record number of riders completing the motorcycle safety course. The safety program fills the statewide need for quality training to lower the number of motorcycle-related fatalities and injuries. [Read the full story at KokomoPerspective.](#)

**Michigan Governor Signs AV Rules Eliminating Human Driver Requirement**

Michigan hopes to regain its throne atop the automotive world with relaxing rules on the operation of autonomous vehicles on state roads. On Friday, Dec. 9, Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder signed S.B. 955, which authorizes the operation of autonomous vehicles on Michigan public roads. The legislation updates a 2013 law that allowed for the testing of autonomous vehicles in the state, but required a driver sit behind the wheel. [Read the full article on govtech.com.](#)

**Nebraska DMV Takes Steps to Reduce Inaccurate Out-of-State Poll Charges**

The Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles is issuing new license plates for the year of 2017 to drivers with farm and commercial vehicle plates. The DMV has seen an increase in cases where out-of-state tolls are charging drivers with farm or commercial

## OUR SURVEYS

Please respond to these surveys from Texas, Saskatchewan, Connecticut, Illinois, New Jersey, Ohio, and AAMVA.

### [Driver's Privacy Protection Act \(DPPA\) Monitoring](#)

(Ends 12/20/2016) Responses received from AB, AL, AR, GA, IA, IL, LA, MI, MS, ND, OH, VA, VT, WA.

### [Electronic Driver's License/ID Cards](#)

(Ends 01/06/2017) Responses received from IL, MN, ND, NE, NH, VT.

### [Central Issuance/Remote Renewal](#)

(Ends 12/30/2016) Responses received from DC, FL, GA, MN, ND, NE, NH, VA.

### [Armed Car Service for Deposits](#)

(Ends 12/29/2016) Responses received from FL, GA, MD, ND, OH, SC, TX, VA, WA.

### [ID Verification](#)

(Ends 12/19/2016) Responses received from AB, AL, AR, DE, FL, GA, IA, IL, LA, MD, MI, MN, NE, NH, NY, OH, OR, SC, SK, VA, VT, WA, WV.

### [CDL Third Party Testing Program](#)

(Ends 12/22/2016) Responses received from CA, CT, FL, IA, ID, IL, KS, LA, MD, MN, NE, NH, NY, OH, SC, SK, TX, VA, VT, WA, WV.

### [Federal Odometer Disclosure Requirements](#)

(Ends 12/22/2016) Responses received from AB, AL, BC, FL, GA, ID, IL, KY, LA, ME, MN, MS, ND, NH, NY, OR, SC, TX, UT, VA, VT.

### [Applying Salvage or Equivalent Designation](#)

(Ends 12/30/2016) Responses received from AB, AL, BC, CA, DE, FL, IL, KY, MD, ME, MN, NH, NY, OK, OR, RI, SC, UT, VA, VT, WA, WY.

These jurisdictions appreciate

vehicles inaccurately. [Read the full story at KNOPNews2.com.](#)

## Wisconsin State Patrol Welcomes Chaplains to its Ranks

The Wisconsin State Patrol today installed the first members of its new Chaplaincy Program. The team of 19 volunteer chaplains, who are ordained or licensed clergy, will provide counseling services for members of the State Patrol and their families. They also will assist the State Patrol with death notifications, crisis responses, and participation in official ceremonies. [Read the WSP press release.](#)

## Wisconsin Approves Anti-Abortion License Plates

Wisconsin citizens will now be able to buy "choose life" license plates. It will work as a way to raise funds for pregnancy centers that offer alternatives to abortion. [Read the full story at PulseHeadlines.com.](#)

## REGION IV NEWS

## Specialty Plates Bring in \$66 Million for Worthy Causes Since 2007 (Arizona)

What goes on the back of your vehicle, looks great and makes a lot of money for a worthy cause? A specialty license plate from the Arizona Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Division does, and more of them are on the way. [Read the DOT press release.](#)

## Nvidia Receives Approval To Test Self-Driving Tech In California, Wastes No Time In Getting Its Car On The Road

Nvidia, a company known for its graphics cards and processors, has taken another step into the self-driving car industry. The company has received approval from California's Department of Motor Vehicles to test its self-driving technology in public roads, and it seems that Nvidia did not waste any time after being granted permission. [Read the full story at TechTimes.com.](#)

## Next Year May be a Bumpy Ride for Nevadans on 2 Wheels

There are no official numbers, but anecdotal reports suggest a new law could have serious consequences for some commuters on Nevada roads. [Read the full story at LasVegasSun.com.](#)

## Device Targets Disqualified Drivers (Saskatchewan)

Fifteen automated licence plate readers (ALPRs) are being installed in patrol vehicles starting this week to help police catch disqualified drivers. [Read the full story at YorktonThisWeek.com.](#)

## Saskatchewan Impaired Driving Rate Highest in Country Last Year

Saskatchewan led the country last year in its impaired driving rate, a new study from Statistics Canada shows. In 2015, the province had 575 impaired driving incidents reported by police per 100,000 people. By comparison, Alberta's rate was 314 per 100,000 people — almost half as high. [Read the full story at CBC.ca.](#)

## OTHER NEWS

## GHSA and Responsibility.org Provide Law Enforcement Grants to Combat Drug-Impaired Driving

Drug-impaired driving is a growing threat on our roadways, and the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA) and the Foundation for Advancing Alcohol Responsibility (Responsibility.org) are partnering to provide states with critical resources to combat this dangerous behavior. State Highway Safety Offices (SHSOs)

your assistance with their research. If you need a Web password or have any questions about using the survey tool, please send an e-mail to [webportalsupport@aamva.org](mailto:webportalsupport@aamva.org) or call Janice Dluzynski at 703-908-5842. All online surveys can be found on the [AAMVA Web site](#).

are invited to apply for grants to increase the number of law enforcement officers certified to detect and evaluate drug-impaired drivers. [Read the joint press release for more details](#).

## Uber Drivers' Harsh Conditions Detailed in British Government Report

A new report from British Labour MP Frank Field paints a grim picture of wages and working conditions for Uber drivers in the U.K., and urges tighter regulations on the platform. Field, chair of Parliament's work and pensions committee, based the report on testimony from 83 British private-hire drivers, most from Uber. [Read the full story at Fortune.com](#).

## Google Renames Robot Car Unit "Waymo" Reminding Us We Need to Know "Way More", Says Consumer Watchdog

Google's new name for its robot car division, "Waymo," fits, Consumer Watchdog said today, because it reminds us that we must know "way more" about robot cars and the serious policy issues they raise before self-driving cars can be safely deployed. [Read the full story at Yahoo.com](#).

## Pot-Impaired Driving Alarms Raised in Wake of Marijuana Task Force Report (Canada)

The federal task force on legalizing marijuana says the Liberal government must launch a public awareness blitz and boost spending on police training and tools to keep pot-impaired drivers off the roads. [Read the full story at MSN.com](#).

## Feeling the Squeeze of Uber and Lyft, Hertz Looks to Start-Up Shift to Sell its Used Cars

Seeking new sources of cash as ride-hailing companies eat into the rental car business, Hertz Corp. on Tuesday announced a partnership with Shift, a San Francisco start-up that connects buyers and sellers of used cars online. [Read the full story at LATimes.com](#).

### DID YOU KNOW?

#### 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.).

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