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### 2016 Region II Conference Wrap Up

The 2016 Annual Region II Conference, hosted by the Kentucky State Police and the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet, was held in Louisville last week. There were seventeen sessions held over four days, augmented with several networking opportunities. Topics focused on safety, security, leadership development, technology and systems, as well as transportation funding. Thank you to all who participated in the event including jurisdictional members from around the region, our federal partners, sister associations, and associate members. Visit the [Region II Conference Download Center](#) to download presentations from the conference. Check out the [Presentations From Past Events page](#) to find other presentations from AAMVA events.

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### OUR EVENTS

### Title VI Program Webinar Now Available for Download

If you missed our webinar on the Basic Title VI Program Information and would like a copy to download for yourself, simply visit the [AAMVA Webinar Archives](#). Lester Finkle, National Title VI Program Manager, FMCSA, leads you through the Title VI program authorities and requirements and shows you the impact the program will have on FMCSA grantees. *This webinar archive is available to jurisdiction members only.*

### REGION I NEWS

### Licenses Revoked Due to Computer Glitch (Connecticut)

A glitch at the DMV could have caused some drivers to have their licenses revoked. The North Carolina Department of Motor Vehicles recently discovered an error in its electronic reporting system that resulted in inaccurate records, according to a press release from the N.C. Department of Transportation. [Read the full story at Morganton.com.](#)

### MVA to Begin Issuing Secure Driver's Licenses Monday (Maryland)

Starting Monday, the Motor Vehicle Administration will begin issuing what transportation officials earlier this spring touted as the "most secure" driver's licenses and identification cards in the country. [Read the full story at CapitalGazette.com.](#)

### Maryland Driver's Licenses Are Secure

I appreciate the opportunity to clarify misinformation provided to your readers about Maryland's new secure driver's license, learner's permit and identification cards in a recent letter to the editor ("Md. driver's licenses fall short," May 13). Maryland's new

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**OUR WEBINARS**

**JULY**

**7, 27 | [Overview of SPEXS Master Specification Format](#)**

2:00 - 3:00 pm ET

**19 | [NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) – Instant Title Verification Using the VIN Search Feature](#)**

2:00-3:00 pm ET

**26 | [NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) – How to Correct Title and Brand Data on the Central Site](#)**

2:00-3:00 pm ET

**12 | [NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) - Understanding the Administrative Features](#)**

secure cards are REAL ID compliant and meet all federal standards. How do we know? We asked officials at the United States Department of Homeland Security who verified Maryland's new cards are in full compliance with the REAL ID Act of 2005. This means that Maryland citizens can confidently use their new secure license or ID card to board a plane or be cleared by security when entering federal buildings. [Read Nizer's full response in a letter to the Baltimore Sun.](#)

**Nepalis in Maryland, USA Can Take License Exam in Nepali**

The Nepalis in Maryland State of the United States of America (USA) now can take exam in the Nepali language for obtaining driving license. [Read the full story in the KathmanduPost.](#)

**PennDOT Secretary's New Program Targets Young Drivers Convicted of Traffic Violations (Pennsylvania)**

Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Secretary Leslie S. Richards is using a personal approach in a new program aimed at delivering an important safety message to young drivers who are convicted of moving traffic violations. [Read the full story at MeadvilleTribune.com.](#)

**IBC Launches Annual “Leave the Phone Alone” Campaign (Prince Edward Island)**

The Insurance Bureau of Canada, Hot 105.5 FM and the Prince Edward Island government have launched their annual campaign targeting distracted drivers. [Read the full story at Newswire.ca.](#)

**REGION II NEWS**

**Kentucky Will Seek Another Extension for REAL ID Compliance, Vehicle Regulations Commissioner Tells Legislative Panel**

The state will seek an extension to come into compliance with the federal REAL ID law, Department of Vehicle Regulations Commissioner John Mark Hack told lawmakers on the Budget Review Subcommittee on Transportation on Thursday. [Read the full story at MYCN2.com.](#)

**Texas DMV Proposal Could Increase Renewal Fees**

The Texas Department of Motor Vehicles board will decide June 27 whether to approve a proposal that will increase annual registration fees by as much as \$4 for those who get their tags in person or by mail. [Read the full story at CommunityImpact.com.](#)

**REGION III NEWS**

**Patrol Commissions 102nd Recruit Class; 26 New Troopers Take Oath Of Office (Missouri)**

Colonel J. Bret Johnson, superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, announces 26 troopers graduated from the Patrol's Law Enforcement Academy on Friday, June 24, 2016. The ceremony took place at 10 a.m. in the Academy gymnasium. The 102nd Recruit Class reported to the Academy on January 4, 2016. The new troopers report for duty in their assigned troops on July 11, 2016. [Read the MSHP press release.](#)

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## OUR SURVEYS

Please respond to these surveys from Nebraska, Georgia, Virginia and NHTSA.

[Point of Sale System for Driver Licensing Document](#) (Ends 06/30/2016) Responses received from AB, KS, LA, MD, WI.

[Time to Process Driver Licensing Applicants](#) (Ends 06/30/2016) Responses received from FL, KS, LA, VT, WA, WI.

[Vehicle Recall Process and Contacts](#) (Ends 07/15/2016) Responses received from FL and NH.

[Location of Training Schools](#) (Ends 07/07/2016) Responses received from AB, CT, FL, IA, IL, KS, LA, MD, ME, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, NY, SD, VA, VT, WI.

[Types of Credentials Being Issued](#) (Ends 07/15/2016) Responses received from AB, CT, DE, FL, GA, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, ME, MI, MN, NS, ND, NE, NH, RI, SD, VA, VT, WI, WV.

These jurisdictions appreciate 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](#).

## Drivers Can Add Next of Kin to BMV Database (Ohio)

People are used to adding emergency contacts, for almost anything they sign up for. But many don't know you can also do that when you get a driver's license. [Read the full story at HomeTownStations.com](#).

## Ohio Supreme Court Considering Media Access to Police Videos

Video footage from police body cameras and cruiser dash cams are public records that should be released promptly, an attorney for several news organizations, including The Associated Press, argued before the Ohio Supreme Court on June 14. [Read the full story at StowsEntry.com](#).

## REGION IV NEWS

### New DMV Digital Driver Handbook Available (California)

The California Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) has announced the release of a digital version of the 2016 California Driver Handbook. The free digital version is available for download in the Google Play Store for Android and through the iBooks Store for iOS phones which makes it easy for users wanting to study on the go. [Read the full story at NBCSanDiego.com](#).

### Drivers License Bill Passes State Assembly Panel (California)

State legislation to stop the automatic suspension of driver's licenses for people with minor traffic offenses who fail to appear in court or to pay initial fines that snowball into huge financial burdens passed a key committee Monday. [Read the full story at SurfSantaMonica.com](#).

### New Driver License, ID Card Applicants Required to Prove State Residency (California)

The California Department of Motor Vehicles wants to inform customers applying for a driver license or identification card for the first time, beginning July 1, they will be required to provide the DMV with two documents that prove they are California residents. [Read the full story at SCVNews.com](#).

### Fees for Colorado Driver Licenses and Several Related Services to Change July 1, 2016

Beginning July 1, 2016, the fees for Colorado driver licenses and several related services will change. These changes were authorized in HB16-1415 and are intended to help offset the cost of providing Division of Motor Vehicles services. [Read the full story at KiowaCountyPress.net](#).

### Tired of Waiting At the Boise DMV for Licenses? It's About to Text You When It's Your Turn (Idaho)

No one likes waiting for hours to get their driver's license. But soon, drivers in Boise will be able to avoid those long lines. [Read the full story at KBOI2.com](#).

### Oregon DMV Says it Can't Issue License to Non-binary Person

An Oregon judge decided this month that a person can legally identify as neither sex, but the Oregon DMV will need months — maybe years — before it can issue a driver's license with a nonbinary sex designation, according to a spokesman. [Read the full](#)

[story at StatesmanJournal.com.](#)

## OTHER NEWS

### High Court Limits Drunk Driving Test Laws

The Supreme Court on Thursday placed new limits on state laws that make it a crime for motorists suspected of drunken driving to refuse alcohol tests. [Read the full story at Fox28.com](#)

### Captured Fugitive Pleads Guilty in Odometer Tampering Scheme That Defrauded Hundreds of Car Buyers

A woman originally from Lackawanna County, Pennsylvania, entered guilty pleas today in U.S. District Court in Philadelphia to all 23 counts of an indictment related to an odometer tampering conspiracy, the Department of Justice announced. [Read the DOJ press release.](#)

### NHTSA Will Give States Autonomy on Self-Driving Rules: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Last month, we covered the announcement of the Self-Driving Coalition for Safer Streets, a lobbyist group with the aim of removing any legal or regulatory hurdles that might slow the development or deployment of self-driving, fully autonomous vehicles. The members of the coalition include some of the biggest players in the quickly developing autonomous vehicle industry, including Google, Ford, Volvo, Lyft, and Uber. One of the biggest fears for the coalition members and other industry participants is the creation of a patchwork of inconsistent state laws and regulations. [Read the full story at NatLawReview.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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