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OUR EVENTS

Validity of Manitoba-Issued Driver Licences & Vehicle Registration Documents Extended During Postal Disruption

A disruption in mail service by Canada Post has prompted Manitoba Public Insurance to temporarily suspend outgoing mail service effective June 24th. This includes the mailing of driver licence and vehicle registration/insurance renewal notices and driver licences and identification cards that have already been renewed and sent for production. Regulatory amendments have been enacted to extend to September 18, 2016, the validity of all driver licences, identification cards and vehicle registrations that would otherwise expire between June 20, 2016 and August 30, 2016. Manitoba Public Insurance Registrar of Motor Vehicles, Carla Hocken, has asked that driver and vehicle licensing authorities and law enforcement agencies in US member jurisdictions who are presented with these Manitoba-issued documents that expire between June 20, 2016 and August 30, 2016 should consider them valid and in-force up to and including September 18, 2016. [View Hocken's letter](#) to AAMVA President & CEO, Anne Ferro.

DMV Investigators Integration Working Group Meets



The DMV Investigators Integration Working Group (DIIWG) met June 28 – 29, 2016 in St. Louis, MO. The working group worked on a list of actionable strategies to more fully integrate DMV investigators into the AAMVA Law Enforcement discipline specifically, and the

AAMVA community as a whole. The working group also made progress on developing a resource document to assist existing DMV Investigative Units in improving their practices and start-up guidance for DMVs creating new or expanding existing units. Visit the [AAMVA web site](#) for more information on the DIIWG, or contact [Brian Ursino](#), AAMVA Director of Law Enforcement.

E-Odometer Task Force Meets in Seattle



The [E-Odometer Task Force](#) met in Seattle, WA on June 28 and 29, 2016. The task force had a full agenda that included a detailed review of a recent survey conducted by the task force and all of the comments submitted to National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) on the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) regarding odometer disclosure

requirements (RIN 2127-AL39). In addition, the task force discussed the details of a guidance document to assist jurisdictions in making considerations to convert from a

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

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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](#)

2:00-3:00 pm ET

paper odometer disclosure to an electronic odometer disclosure. It was a very productive and successful meeting. The task force, led by Chair Julie Larsen, Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, will continue to make progress with their work via conference calls. The next face-to-face meeting of the E-Odometer Task Force is slated to take place in November 2016.

REGION I NEWS

State Supreme Court Says DMV Can Limit Tow Truck Fees (Connecticut)

In a pair of consumer-friendly rulings, the state Supreme Court said Tuesday that state regulators can limit what tow truck operators charge motorists when police summon them to clear highway accidents. [Read the full article in the Hartford Courant.](#)

New DUI Laws Could Mean More Interlocks in Maryland

A new law going into effect later this year in Maryland is designed to make things even more difficult for those who consume alcohol and get behind the wheel. [Read the full story at snewsi.com.](#)

Baker Seeks Clarification on REAL ID Licenses (Massachusetts)

Gov. Charlie Baker is asking state lawmakers to make clear that people who are in the U.S. illegally are not eligible for any kind of Massachusetts driver's license. [Read the full story at BostonHerald.com.](#)

Group Says Real ID Budget Rider Opens Door to Driver's Licenses for Illegal Immigrants (Massachusetts)

A group of conservative activists plan to protest at the Statehouse on Thursday in response to a provision in the state budget they say could open the door for immigrants who entered the country illegally to get driver's licenses. The bill would not change eligibility for licenses today. [Read the full story at MassLive.com.](#)

DMV to Offer Paperless Registrations (New York)

New paperless registration renewals are available at state- and county-run Department of Motor Vehicles offices, according to a media release Wednesday from Gov. Andrew Cuomo's office. [Read the full story at TheDailyStar.com.](#)

A Look At Plate Readers That Helped Deputy Catch Murder Suspect in West Carthage, New York

A small camera on the back of a patrol car is helping agencies like the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department track down criminals. An on screen alert and noise tells deputy Randy Bachmeyer that a car's license plate is on a DMV list of suspended or stolen registrations. [Read the full article on wwny.com.](#)

Customized License Plates May be Making a Comeback in New York

Nearly a dozen years after they became ensnared in the political debate over abortion, specialized license plates are on the road back in New York. [Read the full story at NYDailyNews.com.](#)

Rhode Island Official: State Will Not Share Driver's License

OPEN RFPs

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

OUR SURVEYS

Please respond to these surveys from Indiana, Connecticut, Maryland, Idaho, Virginia, and NHTSA.

[CDL Skills Test](#) (Ends 07/22/2016) Responses received from AR, CA, IL, LA, MD, MO, NY, VA, VT, WA.

[Employee and Customer Service Training](#) (Ends 07/22/2016) Responses received from AL, IL, KS, LA, MD, ME, M, NH, NT, TN, TX.

[Customer Traffic Management Systems](#) (Ends 07/22/2016) Responses received from AL, FL, IA, IL, K, LA, MO, M, NE, NH, NT, NY, TN, TX, UT, VT, WA.

[Residence and Bordering Jurisdictions](#) (Ends 07/22/2016) Responses received from AB, CA, FL, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MD, ME, MO, MS, NH, NT, NY, OR, TX, VA, VT, WA, WI.

[Salvage Vehicles](#) (Ends 07/22/2016) Responses received from AL, CA, GA, ID, IL, KY, LA, MD, ME, MI, NC, NH, NV, OK, PA, TX, UT, VT, WA, WY.

[Vehicle Recall Process and Contacts](#) (Ends 07/15/2016) Responses received from AL, CA, FL, GA, ID, IL, KY, LA, ME, MO, NE, NH, NT, OH, OR, UT, VA, VT, WA, WY.

These jurisdictions appreciate your assistance with their research. If you need a Web

Photos With FBI

The Providence (RI) Journal reports that in response to concerns from the ACLU, the Rhode Island Division of Motor Vehicles said Thursday that it will not share state driver's license photos with the FBI. [Read the full story in the Providence Journal.](#)

REGION II NEWS

McAuliffe Unveils Electronic Voter Registration at Virginia DMV

Gov. Terry McAuliffe on Thursday unveiled a new voter-registration initiative that managed not to rankle Republicans — quite a feat for a swing-state governor with a buddy on the ballot in a presidential election year. [Read the full story at WashingtonPost.com.](#)

Group Files Legal Challenge to Virginia Driver's License Suspensions for the Poor

A federal class-action lawsuit filed Wednesday is challenging Virginia's system of suspending driver's licenses of people too poor to pay their court costs and fines. [Read the full story at DailyProgress.com.](#)

REGION III NEWS

Commercial Driving Now an Option for Ohioans with Hearing Impairment

For the first time, Ohioans who are deaf or hearing impaired will now have the opportunity to obtain their Commercial Driver's License (CDL), thanks to collaboration between state agencies. [Read the BMV press release.](#)

Wisconsin State Patrol Welcomes 38 Officers to its Ranks

Governor Scott Walker participated in the swearing-in ceremony for 38 new Wisconsin State Patrol officers in La Crosse today (July 1). [Read the State Patrol press release.](#)

REGION IV NEWS

Drivers Are Actually Volunteering to Be Tracked by the Government (California)

Starting this week, there are drivers in California who are being tracked by the government. Voluntarily. If you put tape over your webcam (like Mark Zuckerberg), double-check your smartphone's location services once a week or just plain look over your shoulder a lot, then this "pay-by-mile" Road Charge Pilot Program might freak you out a little. [Read the full story at LAWeekly.com.](#)

California Assembly Releases Mandatory Interlock Evaluation

On June 28, 2016 the California State Assembly Committee on Business and Professions released an evaluation of Senate Bill 1046, which would mandate ignition interlock devices (IID) for all DUI offenders in California. Their evaluation included a recently released report from the California Department of Motor Vehicles which DID NOT recommend expanding the program state-wide, due to the many limitation of ignition interlock mandates for first-time offenders. [Read the full story at](#)

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

PlacerSentinel.com.

More than 700,000 Undocumented People have Obtained a Driver License in California

A year and a half after the implementation of AB 60, authorizing California to issue driver licenses to undocumented immigrants, the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) has mailed more than 718,000 documents. [Read the full story at LAOpinion.com](#).

OTHER NEWS

Apple to Allow Organ Donors to Sign Up on Health App

If you haven't signed up to be an organ donor at the DMV, you will still be able to do so—on your iPhone. Apple will let iPhone users sign up to be organ, eye, and tissue donors through its health app when it releases iOS 10 in the fall, the company announced on July 5. [Read the full story at TheEpochTimes.com](#).

FBI Wants Driver's License Photos from Database

The FBI wants your driver's license photo to help improve its facial recognition database. A new report from the U.S. Government Accountability Office shows the FBI is in talks with Massachusetts, Rhode Island and 16 other states, trying to access these photos to expand its facial recognition database, which currently has more than 411-million photos. [Read the full story at ABC6.com](#).

Don't Drive These Hondas and Acuras Unless Dangerous Air Bags are Fixed, Government Warns

The U.S. government is urging owners of 313,000 older Hondas and Acuras to stop driving them and get them repaired after new tests found that their Takata air bag inflators are extremely dangerous. [Read the full story at LATimes.com](#).

Another Tesla Allegedly Crashes While In Autopilot Mode

A Tesla Model X crashed into a guardrail and flipped on the Pennsylvania Turnpike, and the motorist told police he had activated the car's autopilot feature, according to The Detroit Free Press. [Read the full story at HuffingtonPost.com](#).

Traffic Deaths Surged in 2015 as Driving Hit New Record

Traffic deaths surged last year as drivers racked up more miles behind the wheel than ever before, a result of an improved economy and lower gas prices, according to preliminary government data released Friday. [Read the full story at BigStory.AP.org](#).

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.).

Stay on top of the chatter in the MVA and LE community. You may be surprised at what you're missing! [Follow @AAMVAConnection](#).

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Last year in Virginia, 78 pedestrians died in collisions with motor vehicles.
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