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AAMVA Partners with MyCarDoesWhat

The National Safety Council and the University of Iowa, creators of the *MyCarDoesWhat* campaign, announced a partnership with the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators to increase awareness of new vehicle safety features that can help prevent crashes and reduce deaths and injuries. Research shows that most consumers are unsure about how potentially life-saving vehicle safety features work. The *MyCarDoesWhat* campaign is designed to educate consumers about how to best interact with these safety features to promote safer driving experiences. [Find out more here.](#)

See You In Cincinnati! 2016 Workshop and Law Institute This Week



With so many new developments in the field of motor vehicle and law enforcement administration, you'll want to make sure you attend AAMVA's 2016 Workshop & Law Institute, THIS WEEK, March 9-10 in Cincinnati, Ohio. If you haven't already registered make sure you [register today!](#) Visit the [AAMVA 2016 Workshop & Law Institute Web site](#) for more details.

Social Security Administration Utilizes DLDV in Three More Jurisdictions

The Social Security Administration recently announced that Americans who need a replacement Social Security card will be able to apply for the document online. As part of that process, individuals will submit their driver's license or state ID card number, which will be verified against the records of individual jurisdictions using AAMVA's [Driver License Data Verification \(DLDV\)](#) program. The SSA program launched in the District of Columbia, Nebraska, Michigan, Washington and Wisconsin in November/December 2015. This past weekend, the program was rolled out in Iowa, Kentucky and New Mexico. SSA is making plans to launch the program in all participating DLDV jurisdictions.

DLDV is an electronic system that allows government and commercial entities to strengthen and streamline their identity verification processes by verifying if data on a state-issued license or ID card matches that held by the issuing jurisdiction. DLDV provides users with real-time verification of identification document data in a secure manner, protecting the document holder's identity,

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OUR EVENTS

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OUR WEBINARS

MARCH

8, 15, 22, 29| [NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) 3.0 - Understanding the New Data Elements](#)
2:00 - 3:00 pm ET

16, 24| [High Level Overview of National Registry II Solution](#)
1:30 - 3:00 pm ET

OUR SURVEYS

Please respond to these surveys from Illinois, New Jersey, Delaware, District of Columbia, Quebec, Nebraska, Pennsylvania, Louisiana,

while providing the user with a match/no-match indicator for each data element submitted for verification. Is your jurisdiction participating in DLDV? Please contact Philip Quinlan at AAMVA for more information (pquinlan@aamva.org; (703) 908-2894).

Submit Nominations for Martha Irwin Awards

The Martha Irwin Award for Lifetime Achievement in Highway Safety is presented annually to an AAMVA member jurisdiction employee or other individual whose primary function is directly associated with highway and traffic safety efforts and who has had a distinguished career in this arena. The individual can be currently active or retired. One award is presented for achievement in highway safety in Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) and one for achievement in highway safety in Law Enforcement (LE).

- [Download the 2016 Awards Program Submission and Nomination Packet](#) and see page 4 for specific Martha Irwin Award (Motor Vehicle Administration) submission requirements.
- [Download the 2016 Awards Entry Form](#). Each jurisdiction agency should complete and send one award entry form with the accompanying information specified in each award description **by April 1, 2016**.

JURISDICTION NEWS

RFP: Minnesota DPS - Automated Driver License Knowledge Testing System

The Minnesota Department of Public Safety / Driver and Vehicle Services Division is issuing this Request for Proposals (RFP) from prospective offeror's to establish a contract for the acquisition of an Automated Driver License Knowledge Testing System (ADKTS) for the Minnesota Department of Public Safety / Driver and Vehicle Services Division in accordance with the requirements and provisions stated in the RFP. Please note that Minnesota will only do business with organizations registered as vendors in SWIFT. If a company is not yet registered, it is recommended to do so as soon as possible [here](#). If there is a difficulty in registering or with the portal, please call the SWIFT Vendor HelpDesk at 651.201.8100 and follow the prompts. Deadline for submitting Proposals in SWIFT is **March 25, 2016; 12:00 p.m. CT**. [Download the RFP](#).

FEDERAL NEWS

FMCSA Announces Minimum Training Requirements for Entry-Level Commercial Motor Vehicle Operators

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) announced a [Notice of Proposed Rulemaking](#) (NPRM) proposing new training standards for certain individuals applying for their initial commercial driver's license (CDL); an upgrade of their CDL; or a hazardous materials, passenger, or school bus endorsement. These requirements would also apply to a previously disqualified CDL holder seeking to reacquire a license. Under the proposal, applicants seeking a Class A CDL would be required to obtain a minimum of 30 hours of behind-the-wheel training from an instructional program that meets FMCSA standards, including a minimum of 10 hours of operating the vehicle on a practice driving range. Applicants seeking a Class B CDL would be required to obtain a minimum of 15 hours of behind-the-wheel training, including a minimum of seven hours of practice range training. Individuals applying for these license classes would be subject to

New York, Rhode Island, and Nevada.

[Motorcycle Testing and Training](#)
(Ends 04/04/2016)

[Customer Abstract Information Request Fee](#) (Ends 04/04/2016)

[Jake Brake violations](#) (Ends 03/18/2016)

[Use of Polycarbonate to Produce Driver's Licenses](#) (Ends 03/28/2016)

[Motorcycle Brake Light Modulators](#) (Ends 03/30/2016)

[Crash Reports](#) (Ends 03/21/2016)

[License Plates for Trailers](#) (Ends 03/25/2016)

[Revocation/Suspension for Mandatory Insurance](#) (Ends 03/15/2016)

[Medical Examiner's Certificate \(Form MCSA-5876\)](#) (Ends 03/15/2016)

[Fraud and enforcement investigation sections](#) (Ends 03/11/2016)

[Medical Marijuana and CDL Holders](#) (Ends 03/11/2016)

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 or call Janice Dluzynski at 703-908-5842. All online surveys can be found on the AAMVA Web site [here](#).

the proposed entry-level driver training requirements and would be required to complete a course of instruction provided by an entity that:

- Meets the minimum qualifications for training providers
- Covers the curriculum
- Is listed on FMCSA's proposed Training Provider Registry
- Submits electronically to FMCSA the training certificate for each individual who completes the training

Under the proposal, military drivers, farmers, and firefighters would continue to remain generally exempt from the federal CDL requirements.

The regulations are based on recommendations made by the Entry-Level Driver Training Advisory (ELDTAC) negotiated rulemaking committee - of which AAMVA was a part.

Comments on the NPRM are due 30 days from the anticipated publication date of March 7. Jurisdictions submitting comments to the docket are encouraged to copy governmentaffairs@aamva.org.

NHTSA Issues Final Rule on Civil Penalties

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has issued a final rule on NHTSA's interpretation for the civil penalty factors for determining the amount of a civil penalty or the amount of a compromise under the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act (Safety Act). The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) directed DOT to determine the amount of civil penalty or compromise under the Safety Act. More importantly for AAMVA members, this rule amends NHTSA's regulations to increase penalties and damages for odometer fraud and includes a statutory penalty for knowingly and willfully submitting materially false or misleading information to DOT after certifying the same information is accurate. Per this final rule, when the Secretary of Transportation certifies that NHTSA has issued a final rule providing an interpretation of the penalty factors, the maximum amount of civil penalty for each violation of the Safety Act increases from \$7,000 per violation to \$21,000 per violation and the maximum amount of civil penalties that NHTSA can collect for a related series of violations increases from \$35 million to \$105 million. MAP-21 increased the penalties and damages for odometer fraud and established civil penalties for violation of corporate responsibility provisions in 49 USC 30166 of \$5,000 per day and a maximum penalty of \$1 million. These penalties are currently in effect, but NHTSA is amending its penalty regulation through this final rule to conform it to the MAP-21 amendments.

DOT Releases 30-Year Freight Projections

The United States Department of Transportation's Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) have released [projections](#) showing that freight tons moving on the nation's transportation network will grow 40 percent in the next three decades while the value of the freight will almost double, increasing by 92 percent. By 2045 total freight on all modes is projected to reach 25 billion tons while the value is expected to grow to \$37 trillion. Current estimates show that in 2015, nearly 18.1 billion tons of goods worth about \$19.2 trillion were moved on our nation's transportation network. On a daily basis, 49 million tons of goods valued at more than \$53 billion are shipped throughout the country.

DOJ Files Brief Citing Appropriations as Defense of Deferred Action

The United States Department of Justice (DOJ) has filed [a brief](#) in *United States v. State of Texas*, the landmark immigration case that deals with the executive powers associated with "deferred action" in which a department exercises enforcement discretion in the deportation of undocumented immigrants. The brief argues that the Department of Homeland Security is allowed to use broad discretion in deportation decisions because Congress doesn't appropriate enough money to fully enforce immigration laws. Further, the brief explicitly cites the Real ID Act (P.L. 109-13) as one of the well-established ways in which Congress has passed legislation including "deferred action" as a recognized action. The brief also states that the law was passed so that a state "may (but is not required to) issue driver's licenses to aliens with 'approved deferred action status.'" The Obama administration's proposed expansion of the deferred action program (known as DACA) is currently suspended until the case is heard by the Supreme Court.

PARTNER NEWS

TRB Report: Public Perception of Mileage-Based User Fees

Transportation Research Board's National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) Synthesis 487: Public Perception of Mileage-Based User Fees explores proposals to replace the current motor fuel tax with a road usage charge assessed on vehicle-miles traveled, often called a mileage-base user fee (MBUF). The report identifies and assesses various measures of public opinion on the MBUF concept. [Download the report.](#)

AAA 2015 Traffic Safety Culture Index

Since 2006, the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety has been sponsoring research to better understand traffic safety culture. The Foundation's long-term term vision is to create a "social climate in which traffic safety is highly valued and rigorously pursued." In 2008, the AAA Foundation conducted the first Traffic Safety Culture Index, a nationally representative survey, to begin to assess a few key indicators of the degree to which traffic safety is valued and is being pursued. This report constitutes the 2015 version of the index, serving as the latest snapshot of attitudes and statistics relevant to traffic safety. [Download the report](#) and visit <https://www.aaafoundation.org> for more information.

