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Region II Board Update

We've recently had some leadership changes within the Region II jurisdictions, thus creating the need for some actions for both the Region II Board and the Region II representation on the AAMVA Board of Directors. The following representatives have resigned from their positions in their respective jurisdictions, as well as from the Region II Board:

- Steve Campbell resigned his position as Commissioner of LA Office of Motor Vehicles. Campbell also resigned from his position on the AAMVA Board of Directors
- Rob Mikell resigned his position as Commissioner of GA Department of Driver Services. Mr. Mikell also resigned from his role on the AAMVA Board of Directors.
- Colonel Rodney Brewer retired from his role as Commissioner of the Kentucky State Police, as well as President of Region II Board.

The Region II Board of Directors discussed these changes and subsequently made the following decisions:

- Captain Fred Williams, KY State Police, was appointed to fill the vacancy as President of AAMVA Region II, Inc. until the next membership meeting.
- The vacancy among At-Large members of the Board of Directors of AAMVA Region II, Inc. created by the resignation of Steve Campbell, shall remain unfilled until the next membership meeting.
- Brenda Coone, AL DOR, was recommended to the Chair of the AAMVA Board to fill the interim vacancy on the AAMVA Board created by the resignation of Steve Campbell.
- Brenda Coone, AL DOR, shall be nominated to the Region II members at the next Region II membership meeting to fill the remaining term as a member of the AAMVA Board to which Steve Campbell had been elected.



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- Boyd Dickerson-Walden, FL DHSMV, was recommended to the Chair of the AAMVA Board to fill the interim vacancy on the AAMVA Board created by the resignation of Rob Mikell.
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Region I Board News

Andres Ayala has resigned from his role as Connecticut DMV Commissioner and as the Secretary/Treasurer on the AAMVA Region I Board of Directors, effective January 22, 2016. Michael R. Bzdyra, formerly Deputy Commissioner at the Connecticut DMV, has been appointed to serve as Commissioner of the agency. Judeen Wrinn has been named Deputy Commissioner to replace Bzdyra. As a result of these changes, the AAMVA Region I Board met via teleconference in January, and filled the Secretary/Treasurer vacancy by appointing Scott Vien (DE) to the position, with Chrissy Nizer (MD) moving up one slot to Member at Large term expiring 2016. Thus, a Member at Large position (expiring 2017) was left vacant. The Board sent an open solicitation out to all Region I Chief Administrators in early February, and received multiple responses. The Board met again March 15th, and appointed Graham Miner (PE) to the vacant member at large position, until the membership meeting in July where Graham will be on the ballot to fulfill the remaining term (until July 2017).

Iowa to Join State-to-State Verification Service

Iowa will begin using the State-to-State Verification Service (S2S) on Monday, May 23rd. Tasks related to on-boarding Iowa will be conducted during the weekend of May 21st. During this process (Saturday evening to Monday morning), there may be periods during which the CDLIS/S2S Central Site is in inquiry-only mode or is unavailable (over and above the regularly scheduled maintenance window of 2AM to 5AM on Sunday, May 22nd). Following Iowa, several states will be joining the S2S program throughout 2016. Please visit <http://www.aamva.org/State-to-State/> for a full timeline and more information.

CDLIS Timeliness and Accuracy - Summary Workbook Reports for Jurisdictions

At the direction and support of FMCSA, AAMVA produces monthly reports on the CDLIS Timeliness, Data Quality, and Capabilities of all jurisdictions. The reports for February are now ready for viewing. To request a copy of these reports, please click on the following link [REQUEST](#)

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

MARCH

22, 29| [NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) 3.0 - Understanding the New Data Elements](#)

2:00 - 3:00 pm ET

24| [High Level Overview of National Registry II Solution](#)

1:30 - 3:00 pm ET

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6| [Briefing on the State to State Verification Service \(S2S\)](#)

12:00 - 1:00 pm (ET)

13| [How You Can Help in the Fight Against Human Trafficking](#)

2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)

OUR SURVEYS

Please respond to these surveys from Connecticut, Quebec, New Jersey, British Columbia, and Delaware.

[Customer Service Hours of Operation](#) (Ends 04/14/2016)
Responses received from DC, GA, NY, VT.

[Legislation on the Use of Fog Lights](#)
(Ends 04/08/2016) Responses

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

Gov. Malloy Announces New Leadership Team at the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles

Governor Dannel P. Malloy announced that he has selected a new leadership team to operate the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). Michael R. Bzdyra of Wallingford has been appointed to serve as Commissioner of the agency and Judeen Wrinn of Middletown has been named Deputy Commissioner. Bzdyra has served at the DMV since 2011, where he currently holds the position of Deputy Commissioner. Prior to that, he worked for thirteen years with the Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority as a government relations liaison and senior analyst, responsible for directing, planning and implementing the organization's governmental, legislative, and regulatory activities. He is a recent graduate of AAMVA's Leadership Academy. Wrinn most recently worked for Voya Financial, Inc. as the company's Chief Operations Officer for Retirement Business. From 2001 to 2013 she worked at ING in a variety of capacities including as Chief Operations Officer for Retirement Business, Chief of Staff to the CEO of Retirement Business, Vice President of Client Relationship Management, and Chief of Staff to the Investment Officer. She also worked at Aetna from 1978 to 2011, originally joining the company as a front-line customer service representative and eventually becoming Chief of Staff to the CEO of Aetna's Retirement's domestic business. Both Bzdyra and Wrinn will begin their new roles at the DMV effective Friday, March 18, 2016. [Read more at portal.ct.gov](#)

Virginia DMV Shares Motorcycle Safety PSA

Virginia DMV has created a Motorcycle safety PSA about the speed perception of motorcycles. Other jurisdictions interested in using the PSA can [view the video file here](#).

New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission Recognizes Examiner of the Year

received from FL, ME, NY, VA, VT, WA.

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

Responses received from AL, AR, IL, ME, MS, NE, OH, TX, VA, VT, WA, WI, WV.

[Driver Licensing Services Wait Times](#) (Ends 04/04/2016)

Responses received from AR, FL, GA, IA, KS, LA, ME, MI, MS, NC, NY, OH, VA, VT.

[Jake Brake violations](#) (Ends 03/23/2016)

Responses received from CA, CT, FL, IL, MN, NE, NH, OH, PA, UT, VA, WA, WI.

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](#).



Holly Gallardo!

The New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission is pleased to recognize Holly Gallardo with the New Jersey IDEC Examiner of the Year Award. Pictured from Left to Right are Deputy Chief Administrator Jeanne Ashmore, William Wills, Chairman and Chief Administrator Raymond P. Martinez, Holly Gallardo, James Ferguson, Robert Grill. Congratulations to

FEDERAL NEWS

Urgent Inspection Bulletin: Safety Recall Issued By Volvo Trucks

The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) issued an important safety bulletin based on a [safety recall initiated by Volvo Trucks](#) affecting nearly 20,000 Class 8 motor vehicles, with more than 17,000 affected vehicles in the United States. This is a critical safety defect that could severely affect the safe operation of these vehicles due to a faulty two-piece steering shaft. This condition can lead to separation of the steering shaft without warning and an immediate loss of steering ability and control which may lead to a vehicle crash. Operators of vehicles affected by the Volvo recall should take the vehicles out of service as soon as possible. FMCSA published an [advisory bulletin](#) to raise awareness of this issue in order to prevent serious crashes. The bulletin includes the guidance Volvo prepared for motor carriers operating these vehicles. Federal and state inspectors are advised that certain 2016 and 2017 Volvo and Mack Titan model trucks may be affected by the recall. If you do identify any vehicles subject to this recall, please [send an email to the enforcement](#) with the name of the carrier and DOT number, and a description of the action taken. If FMCSA or state inspectors identify a potentially affected vehicle, the driver should be directed to call 877-800-4945 (option 1) prior to proceeding, and to follow the instructions provided by Volvo. Volvo advises carriers to contact the Volvo Customer Support line (1-877-800-4945 , option 1) to determine what, if any, action is necessary. For more information, visit <https://www.fmcsa.dot.gov>

Legislative Alert: FMCSA Proposes Rule on Military Personnel Obtaining a CDL

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has [published](#) a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) amending its Commercial Driver's License (CDL) regulations as it relates to military personnel obtaining a CDL while living outside of their state of domicile. This rulemaking would:

- Extend the time period for applying for a skills test waiver from 90 days to 1 year after leaving a military position requiring the operation of a commercial motor vehicle
- Allow states to accept applications and administer the written and skills tests for a Commercial Learner's Permit (CLP) or CDL from active duty military personnel who are stationed in that State
- Require states that choose to accept such applications to transmit the test results electronically to the state of domicile of the military personnel

- Require the State of domicile to issue the CDL or CLP on the basis of those test results

For more information, see the full [Legislative Alert on AAMVA's Website](#).

NHTSA Announces Public Meeting on Safe Deployment of Automated Vehicle Technologies

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has announced a [public meeting](#) to seek input on planned guidelines for the safe deployment and operation of automated vehicles and to encourage innovative and safe deployment of automated vehicle technologies. At this meeting, NHTSA is seeking public input on those aspects of automated vehicle systems that would benefit from operational guidelines. NHTSA will hold the public meeting on **April 8, 2016** at U.S. DOT headquarters in Washington, D.C. Those interested in attending in person should register at <http://goo.gl/forms/l8z3HVM6hw> by **April 1, 2016**. Interested parties that are unable to participate in person may follow via webcast – a link to the webcast will be made available through the following link:

<http://www.nhtsa.gov/Research/Crash+Avoidance/Automated+Vehicles>.

House Rules Advances Resolution to File Brief on Immigration

The House Rules Committee decided this week to advance a measure that would authorize the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives to file an amicus curiae brief on behalf of the House in the Supreme Court case challenging President Obama's expanded executive actions on immigration. The resolution represents a rare move by the Rules Committee, which passed the measure ([H Res 639](#)) along party lines and is expected to debate the resolution under closed rule later in the week. The resolution instructs the House to file the brief in the matter of the United States et al v Texas, et al in support of the position that the petitioners have acted in a manner that is not consistent with their duties under the Constitution and the laws of the United States. The text of the resolution does not include or specify the contents of the amicus curiae brief that the Speaker is to file.

The FHWA Publishes Two Final Rules On The Highway Safety Improvement Program

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) published two final rules associated with the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP). The purpose of the [first final rule](#) is to incorporate changes to the HSIP regulations to address provisions in both MAP-21 and the FAST Act. Specifically, this rule removes the requirement for States to prepare a Transparency Report that describes not less than 5 percent of locations that exhibit the most severe safety needs, removes the High Risk Rural Roads (HRRR) set-aside, and removes the 10 percent flexibility provision for States to use safety funding in accordance with Federal law. This rule also establishes a subset of roadway data elements, and creates procedures to ensure that States adopt and use the subset. Finally, this rule adds State Strategic Highway Safety Plan update requirements and requires States to report HSIP performance targets. The [next final rule](#) establishes performance measures for

state departments of transportation to use to carry out the Highway Safety Improvement Program and to assess:

- the number of motor vehicle crash-related serious injuries and fatalities;
- number of serious injuries and fatalities of non-motorized users;
- and serious injuries and fatalities per vehicle miles traveled (VMT).

This is the first of 3 rules that will establish performance measures for State DOTs and MPOs to use to carry out Federal-aid highway programs and assess performance in each of 12 areas. In addition, this rule establishes the process for State DOTs and MPOs to establish and report their safety targets, the process for State DOTs and MPOs to report on their progress for their safety targets, and the process that FHWA will use to assess whether State DOTs have met or made significant progress toward meeting safety targets. Both of these rules are effective **April 14, 2016**.

The FMCSA Announces Acceptance of Mexico's NOM-68 Inspection Program

The FMCSA [announces](#) its acceptance of the Norma Oficial Mexicana ((NOM) or Official Mexican Standard) concerning the periodic inspection (PI) of commercial motor vehicles (CMVs). The Agency has reviewed NOM-068-SCT-2-2014 (NOM 68) and determined that it should be added to the list of programs which are comparable to the Federal PI requirements contained in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs). FMCSA's acceptance of NOM 68 means that Mexico-domiciled motor carriers operating in the United States must ensure that their CMVs are inspected annually as required by the Secretaría de Comunicaciones y Transportes (SCT). The motor carrier must retain a copy of the inspection report and a sticker/decal must be affixed to the vehicle in order to satisfy the PI requirements in the United States. These motor carriers will no longer have the option of relying on their employees to conduct inspections of the CMVs the carrier controls, using commercial garages for such inspections, or passing a roadside inspection based on criteria published by the Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) to comply with the periodic inspection requirement. This action is effective **March 16, 2016**. NOM-68 inspection decals issued on or after October 1, 2015, will be accepted as proof of a periodic during roadside inspections and investigations conducted on or after March 16, 2016.

Save the Date - NTSB Pedestrian Safety Forum

Please save the date – **May 10, 2016** – for the NTSB Pedestrian Safety Forum. This forum, organized by the NTSB staff and chaired by Bella Dinh-Zarr, Vice Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, will address various aspects of pedestrian safety such as exposure and risk data, urban planning and policy, infrastructure design, other safety interventions, and vehicle-based solutions.

NTSB Pedestrian Safety Forum

Tuesday, May 10, 2016

9 am – 5 pm ET

NTSB Board Room and Conference Center

429 L'Enfant Plaza, S.W.

Washington, D.C. 20594

www.nts.gov

For more information and to receive future emails about the forum, please email John Brown at john.brown@nts.gov

