AAMVA Testifies Before House Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on School Bus Safety

AAMVA Board Member and Chief of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, Sue Fulton, and AAMVA President and CEO, Anne Ferro, testified before the United States House of Representatives' Transportation and Infrastructure's Subcommittee on Highways and Transit on the issue of school bus safety. After recent high profile crashes involving school buses, the Subcommittee expressed interest in evaluating the role of the federal government in further protecting school bus transport. The panel included additional experts from the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL), the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB), the National School Transportation Association, and Teamsters Local 384. New Jersey provided testimony on their proactive efforts to ensure school bus safety, and AAMVA provided additional details on the national landscape of employer notification systems (ENS) and current medical certification requirements. For additional information, including submitted written testimony and a link to the archived hearing, click here.

AAMVA Attends IACP Meeting in Las Vegas

Brian Ursino, AAMVA Director of Law Enforcement, and Julie Knittle, AAMVA Director of Member Support for Regions 3 & 4, attended the IACP Mountain/Pacific Region annual meeting in Las Vegas, hosted by the Nevada Highway Patrol (NHP). Part of the meeting included a field trip to tour the NHP Southern Command and Traffic Management Center.

AAMVA Helps Open Annual Driver Education Conference

Wanda Minoli, Commissioner for the Vermont DMV, and Ian Grossman, AAMVA Vice President, Member Services & Public Affairs, participated in the opening of the American Driver & Traffic Safety Education Association (ADTSEA) annual meeting held in Burlington, Vermont. Commissioner Minoli welcomed the driver education professionals to the Green Mountain State.
and spoke of her background in traffic safety. Grossman was one of the day's keynote speakers, spending time discussing the new Road to Zero Coalition and the importance of shifting traffic safety culture as a key component to ending highway fatalities.

Abandoned Vehicle & Mechanic Lien Fraud Prevention Working Group Members Meet in Philadelphia

A core group of the Abandoned Vehicle & Mechanic Lien Fraud Prevention working group met in Philadelphia, PA July 23 – 25 to complete a full review of the draft best practices document, which is planned for publication in early 2020. Pictured from right to left are: Larry Purdy, Richard Trinkwalder, Milly Ridenhour, and Paul Steier. Cathie Curtis joined the group remotely due to inclement weather and flight cancellations.

DEADLINE APPROACHING: Managing Data Privacy Working Group Surveys

AAMVA's Managing Data Privacy Working Group needs your input to help jurisdictions implement best practices aimed at strengthening privacy, while addressing the operational data sharing responsibilities. To assist the Working Group, we request your agency’s input with two surveys. One survey focuses on agreement with other organizations that request data, data governance and personnel. The second survey focuses on data requests and audit & accounting procedures. Please respond to these surveys by July 31. If you have any questions, please contact Julie Knittle. Thank you for your assistance.

This Week’s Webinars

AAMVA Secure File Transfer Protocol Infrastructure Migration
July 30, 2019, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm and August 1, 2019, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Each Jurisdiction/ Third Party Service Provider that participates in batch processing with the NMVTIS and SPEXS programs relies on AAMVA’s Secure File Transfer Protocol (FTP) infrastructure. AAMVA has made changes to its infrastructure in support of AAMVA’s journey to the cloud. To finalize this infrastructure migration, all AAMVA batch service users are required to change their FTP connection to the new AAMVA Secure FTP infrastructure by the end of October 2019. This webinar will discuss what configuration changes are required to connect to the new AAMVA Secure FTP infrastructure and how to coordinate these changes with AAMVA.
Note: This webinar is open to the public.

International Trucker Safety Training Expands With
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**REGISTER ONLINE!**

**OPEN RFPs**

**AAMVA RFQ FY19-19872 Data Loss Prevention Deployment**  
August 2, 2019

**AAMVA RFQ FY19-19874: Application Security Assessment**  
August 2, 2019

**OUR SURVEYS**

Please respond to these surveys from Georgia, Connecticut, New Hampshire, Virginia, Ohio, Indiana, Arizona, California, Connecticut, Delaware, New York, Pennsylvania.

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**Refresher Course (Arizona)**

Two years after launching a first-of-its-kind truck safety training program for drivers and companies in Mexico, the Arizona Department of Transportation has added refresher instruction for those who have been through the program. ADOT launched the International Border Inspection Qualification in 2017 by sending trained officers from commercial ports of entry into Mexico to provide instruction, in Spanish, on safety regulations. The goals: reducing violations that can lead to delays for truckers from Mexico and making state highways safer by allowing ADOT officers to focus on vehicles needing the most attention. Read more at azdot.gov.

**Former DMV Employee Sentenced for a Scheme to Issue Commercial Licenses to Unqualified Drivers (California)**

Kari Scattaglia, 40, of Sylmar, was sentenced today to two years and eight months in prison for a conspiracy to take bribes to provide Class A commercial driver licenses without the buyer having to take or pass the required tests. U.S. Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced...On November 3, 2017, Scattaglia and former DMV employee co-defendant Lisa Terraciano, 52, of North Hollywood, pleaded guilty to a conspiracy to commit bribery, to commit identity fraud, and to commit unauthorized access of a computer. Read more at justice.gov.

**CTDOT Launches New Public Website (Connecticut)**

The Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT)...announced the migration of its public website to a new format, beginning Monday, July 29, 2019. The new web address will be: https://portal.ct.gov/dot. The new site will have a fresh new look, with all of the information now available on the existing site...Read more at portal.ct.gov.

**‘Use Your Melon’ Impaired Driving Awareness Campaign at the Delaware State Fair (Delaware)**

The Delaware Office of Highway Safety has partnered with NASCAR driver Ross Chastain for the fourth year in a row, in the 'Use Your Melon, Drive Sober, Arrive Alive DE,' campaign and will be on-site at the Delaware State Fair during its centennial celebration year...He’ll be engaging with fans to promote the ‘Use Your Melon,’ campaign and be available for autographs and photo opportunities. Read more at news.delaware.gov.

**GTSC, DMV and Xfinity Race Car Driver Ross Chastain Promote Seat Belt Use at Watkins Glen State Park (New York)**

The New York Governor's Traffic Safety Committee (GTSC) and the New York Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will be holding a meet and greet with Xfinity race car driver Ross Chastain at Watkins Glen State Park on Tuesday, July 30, 2019, to promote the importance of seat belt use. Chastain will be on site to sign autographs and to meet and take pictures with fans. Chastain, an eighth-generation farmer whose family grows watermelons, and JD Motorsports help encourage seat belt use through the ‘Protect Your Melon’ initiative. Read more at dmv.ny.gov.

**PennDOT Seeks Public Input on Highway Safety Through Online Survey (Pennsylvania)**

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) is seeking motorists’ input on traffic safety and driving behaviors through its annual online Highway Safety Survey found at www.PennDOT.gov/Safety. PennDOT will use the feedback from this annual survey to better understand the attitude and actions of the public concerning a variety of driving behaviors. ‘Safety remains our top priority and we are grateful for the public’s continued engagement in making our roadways...
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**Driver Knowledge Test** (Ends 08/12/2019) Responses received from AL, BC, CT, FL, GA, ID, IL, KS, LA, ME, MN, NJ, NY, OH, OR, SD, TX, UT, VA, WI.

**Electronic Check**

**Electronic Insurance Information** (Ends 08/26/2019) Responses received from AL, CA, FL, IL, KS, LA, MI, MN, NJ, OH, VA, TX.

**Use of Junk, Salvage, & Insurance Information** (Ends 08/12/2019) Responses received from AL, CA, FL, KS, KY, LA, UT.

**Driver Knowledge Test Requirement** (Ends 08/23/2019) Responses received from AL, CA, FL, ID, IL, KS, LA, MI, MN, NJ, OH, VA, TX.

**Case Management System - Compliance/Investigation** (Ends 08/23/2019) Responses received from FL, ID, NJ, NY, VA, WI.

**Drive Test and Drive Test Scoring** (Ends 08/23/2019) Responses received from CO, DE, IL, KS, LA, ME, MN, MS, NE, NJ, NY.

**Online Wizard** (Ends 08/22/2019) Responses received from AL, CA, DE, ID, IL, KS, LA, ME, MN, MT, NJ, NY, OH, SD, TX, VA, WV.

**Rear Plate Inquiry** (Ends 08/22/19) Responses received from AL, DC, FL, ID, KS, KY, LA, ME, MI, MN, MS, NC, ND, NJ, NY, OH, OR, SD, TN, UT, VA, WA, WI.

**Licence Plate Refresh** (Ends 08/12/2019) Responses received from AL, BC, CT, FL, GA, ID, IL, KS, KY, LA, ME, MI, MN, ND, NY, OH, OR, TX, UT, VA, WA.

**FEDERAL NEWS**

**FMCSA Officially Publishes Lifetime Disqualification for Human Trafficking Final Rule**

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has officially published their final rule on a lifetime disqualification for human trafficking. The final rule revises the list of offenses permanently disqualifying individuals from operating a commercial motor vehicle (CMV) for which a commercial driver’s license or a commercial learner’s permit is required. This final rule reflects a change made by Congress in the “No Human Trafficking on Our Roads Act” which prohibits an individual from operating a CMV for life if that individual uses a CMV in committing a felony involving a severe form of human trafficking, adding to the list of other disqualifying offenses identified in statute. A list of these disqualifying offenses already exists in the FMCSRs; this final rule is necessary to update that list to include the new disqualifying offense established by the Act. This final rule also sets a deadline for States to come into substantial compliance with the requirements. Read more at govinfo.gov.

**FMCSA to Survey Truckers on Crime Prevention**

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has proposed a new information collection request regarding, “Crime Prevention for Truckers.” FMCSA has accumulated evidence, both documentary and anecdotal, for a serious pattern of harassment and assault-related crimes against female and minority male truckers. Currently, FMCSA does not provide materials or training for truckers on how to protect themselves from being stalked, harassed, assaulted, or robbed. Before effective solutions for preventing or reducing these crimes against female and minority truckers can be developed and implemented, FMCSA must understand the prevalence, seriousness, and nature of the problem of harassment and assaults. FMCSA will utilize this ICR to produce a survey to gain a better understanding.
Payments/Dishonored Checks
(Ends 08/01/2019)
Responses received from AL, CA, CT, DC, FL, HI, ID, IL, KS, MI, MN, MS, MT, ND, NJ, NL, NY, PA, RI, SD, UT, VA, WA.

Out-of-State abandoned vehicles
(Ends 08/01/2019)
Responses received from AL, CA, CT, DC, FL, ID, KS, KY, LA, ME, MI, MO, MS, ND, NJ, NL, NY, OR, PA, SC, TX, UT, VA.

Salvage and Non-repairable Titles
(Ends 08/21/2019)
Responses received from AL, CT, FL, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, NV, NY, OR, TX, UT, VA.

You can view all open surveys and responses to all surveys by visiting the survey tool. Please contact Janice Dluzynski if you have any questions about using the survey tool.

GAO Issues Cybersecurity Report
The United States Government Accountability Office (GAO) has issued a report on Cybersecurity entitled, “Agencies Need to Fully Establish Risk Management Programs and Address Challenges.” Through the report, GAO found that, in order to protect against cyber threats, federal agencies should incorporate key practices in their cybersecurity risk management programs. These key practices include:

- Designating a cybersecurity risk executive
- Developing a risk management strategy and policies
- Assessing cyber risks
- Coordinating between cybersecurity and enterprise-wide risk management functions

All but one of the 23 agencies reviewed designated a risk executive. However, none of these agencies fully incorporated other key practices into their programs. GAO has made 58 recommendations to federal agencies to help improve their cybersecurity risk management programs. Read more at gao.gov.

NHTSA Issues Second Notice on State Notification of Recall Status
The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has issued a second notice and request for comments on state notification of consumers of motor vehicle recall status. NHTSA had issued a previous notice requesting comment on May 7th, but had not received any comments. Through the notice, NHTSA is seeking additional DMVs (besides MD as a previous pilot program state) to increase consumer awareness of open safety recalls and increase the repair rate of recalled vehicles. Under its existing authority provided in the Safety Act, NHTSA is offering this opportunity to further develop state consumer notification to increase awareness of open recalls. NHTSA is encouraging applicants to be creative and innovative when developing a proposal (application) for this grant. NHTSA is interested in proposals that provide vehicle owners and lessees with frequent notifications at touchpoints between the State and the vehicle. For example, NHTSA is interested in proposals that may offer options at the time of vehicle registration and other unique notification methods (or even follow-up notification). One potential option is to have notification at the time of registration and at motor vehicle emissions and/or safety inspection stations. NHTSA notes that states are free to propose a process to make use of the functionality that may exist through its inspection stations or other intersection between the State and the consumer’s vehicle. NHTSA is also interested in proposals that provide an analysis of recall completion data on an ongoing basis to assist in program evaluation, or assessment of owners’ attitudes toward a particular recall notification protocol. Comments and responses are due by August 26, 2019. Interested parties are encouraged to submit a copy of their comments to governmentaffairs@aamva.org so that the association may reflect their comments in their own. Read more at govinfo.gov.

NHTSA Retains Civil Penalties for CAFE Violations
The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has published a final rule confirming the determination NHTSA announced in the notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) that the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act of 2015 (Inflation Adjustment Act or 2015 Act) does not apply to the civil penalty rate applicable to automobile manufacturers that fail to meet applicable corporate average fuel economy (CAFE) standards and are unable to offset such a deficit with compliance credits. In addition, this final rule is finalizing the agency’s determination that even if the Inflation Adjustment Act applies, increasing the CAFE civil penalty rate would have a negative economic impact, and therefore, in accordance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act of 1975...
(EPCA) and the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA), the current CAFE civil penalty rate of $5.50 should be retained, instead of increasing to $14 in model year 2019. This rule is effective as of September 24, 2019. Read more at govinfo.gov.

U.S. Senate Releases Surface Transportation Reauthorization
The United States Senate’s Environment and Public Works Committee has released a draft bill that would reauthorize current surface transportation law (P.L. 114-94) over the next five years. The $287 billion legislation would boost spending on transportation and infrastructure by 27 percent over that time frame, and contains the first ever “climate title” in a reauthorization measure, including $1 billion for competitive grants for states to build hydrogen, natural gas, and electric vehicle fueling stations along certain highway corridors and $10 billion in policies and innovative projects aimed at reducing emissions and enhancing resilience. The draft measure still awaits review in the Senate from the Senate Finance and Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committees. The Committee has provided a statements and section-by-section summary at epw.senate.gov.

PARTNER NEWS

FHWA’s Hendrickson To Become AASHTO’s Deputy Director
The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials has named Brandye Hendrickson, currently the Federal Highway Administration’s deputy administrator, as its new deputy director. Appointed as FHWA deputy administrator in July 2017, Hendrickson served as the agency’s acting administrator for two years until Nicole Nason officially became FHWA’s administrator in May. Read more at aashtojournal.org.

Trucking Industry Asked to Rank Top Concerns (ATRI)
The American Transportation Research Institute, the trucking industry’s not-for-profit research organization, today launched the 2019 Top Industry Issues Survey. The annual survey asks trucking industry stakeholders to rank the top issues of concern for the industry along with appropriate strategies for addressing each issue. Now in its 15th year, ATRI’s annual analysis not only ranks the issues overall but also provides details on where critical topics are ranked differently by motor carriers and professional drivers. Read more at truckingresearch.org.