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**OUR EVENTS**

**AUGUST**

9-10 | [2016 August Commercial Vehicle Emerging Technology Working Group Meeting](#)  
Arlington, VA  
*Working Group members only*

**2016 Annual International Conference: Chair's Welcome Reception - Colonial Games & Silent Auction**

Get the AIC started with this fun and entertaining event at the Rockefeller Building in downtown Williamsburg. This year's welcome reception will include historical, interactive, and fun games for attendees, along with a colonial photo booth. Enjoy the first night of the conference with fellow attendees all while giving back to a great cause. All proceeds from this event will benefit the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, the operator of the world's largest living history museum. Learn more about the [silent auction and welcome reception](#). Register now!

**Region I Conference Wraps Up**



AAMVA's Region I Annual Conference took place July 17-20, in Burlington, Vermont. Attendees participated in plenty of peer to peer discussion relevant to driver's license administration, and motor

vehicle and law enforcement issues. AAMVA is pleased to announce that the presentations from the event are now available on the AAMVA Web site. Visit the [Region I Conference Downloads Center](#) today!

**Idaho to Join State-to-State Verification Service (S2S)**

Idaho will begin using the State-to-State Verification Service (S2S) on Monday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Tasks related to on-boarding Idaho will be conducted during the weekend of August 20th. 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, August 21<sup>st</sup>.

Following Idaho, 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.

**JURISDICTION NEWS**

**Virginia Governor McAuliffe Announces New Innovations Available at the Department of Motor Vehicles**

Governor Terry McAuliffe announced that the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will become the first motor vehicle agency in the nation to offer Transportation Security Administration (TSA) PreCheck and Transportation Worker Identification Credentials (TWIC) at select DMV customer service centers. Governor McAuliffe also highlighted a variety of other innovative partnerships and initiatives being implemented this summer at DMV, including new online discounts, a simpler method to renew expired driver's licenses, additional knowledge exam languages, and the expansion of a program that allows high school students to take the learner's permit knowledge exam in the classroom. Legislation sponsored by Delegate Lamont Bagby of Richmond and signed by Governor McAuliffe, effective July 1, enabled DMV to partner with TSA contractor MorphoTrust to offer TSA PreCheck and TWIC in Virginia.

**Ruling in Johnson v. Washington State DOL**



[Register online today!](#)

**SEPTEMBER**

14-15 | [2016 September NDR Working Group Meeting](#)

New Orleans, LA

Working Group members only

21-22 | [2016 September System Modernization Working Group Meeting](#)

Salt Lake City, UT

Working Group members only

**OCTOBER**



**OUR WEBINARS**

**JULY**

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

2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)

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

2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)

**AUGUST**

2 | [Imported Vehicles – US Federal Requirements and Challenges for Jurisdictions](#)

2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)

9 | [NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) – Understanding the Administrative Features](#)

2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)

10 | [Overview of PDPS Master Specification Format](#)

2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)

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

2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)

24 | [Hidden Epidemics: What the data tells us about our safety](#)

2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)

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

2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)

**SYSTEMS TRAINING**

The Court of Appeals of the State of Washington has ruled in a case related to Washington Department of Licensing's (DOL) action to no longer suspend driver's licenses for moving violations. The court ruled the DOL did not have to release suspensions for FTAs for non-moving violations that were in effect prior to a law change in 2012. DOL argued the law was prospective, prevailed in court, and again prevailed upon appeal. [Read the ruling here.](#)

**FEDERAL NEWS**

**TSA Releases Information on REAL ID Enforcement and Requirements at Airport Security**

The Transportation Safety Administration (TSA) has released public information regarding enforcement of the REAL ID Act and ID requirements at airport security checkpoints. Beginning **January 22, 2018**, driver's licenses or state IDs issued by states that are not in compliance with the REAL ID Act and have not been granted an extension by DHS may not be used to fly within the U.S. Beginning **October 1, 2020**, every traveler will need a REAL ID-compliant license or state ID or another acceptable form of identification to fly within the U.S. A fact sheet with more information is [available here](#). A FAQ is [available here](#). The REAL ID brief page is [available here](#). TSA is encouraging AAMVA members to use and distribute the fact sheet and FAQ as they see fit the further public awareness of the impending changes.

**DHS Adopts Rulemaking Amendment or Repeal Process**

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has issued an interim [final rule](#) adopting a process under which interested persons may petition the Department to issue, amend, or repeal a rule. The Administrative Procedures Act (APA) requires that each agency give interested parties the right to petition the agency for the issuance, amendment, or repeal of a rule (5 USC 553(e)). DHS is adopting this rule to describe its procedures for receiving and responding to rulemaking petitions.

**Department of Justice Files Petition for Rehearing in Immigration Case**

According to the [docket](#) for *United States, et al., v. Texas, et al. (Docket 15-674)* the Department of Justice has filed a petition for rehearing before the United States Supreme Court. The Department of Justice is asking for a rehearing before nine justices after the prior decision over the expansion of President Obama's executive actions on immigration resulted in a 4-4 split in absence of all nine serving justices.

**FHWA Solicits Input on National Charging and Alternative Fuel Corridors**

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has published a [solicitation](#) of nominations from state and local officials in order to comply with Section 1413 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act. This section requires the Secretary of Transportation to designate national electric vehicle charging, hydrogen, propane, and natural gas fueling corridors. Comments and submissions must be received on or before **August 22, 2016**.

**FHWA Publishes Funding Opportunity and Request for Tribal Grant Safety Applications**

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has [published](#) a notice announcing funding opportunity and requesting grant applications for its Tribal Transportation Program Safety Funds (TTPSF). This notice also identifies selection criteria,

**JULY**

- 26 | [CDLIS A Overview \(basic\)](#)
- 27 | [SPEXS Web UI and Reports \(intermediate\)](#)
- 27 | [CDLIS B Inquiry Transactions \(basic\)](#)
- 28 | [SPEXS State Procedures Manual \(intermediate\)](#)
- 28 | [CDLIS C Update Transactions \(basic\)](#)

**AUGUST**

- 2 | [CD04 State-to-State History Request \(intermediate\)](#)
- 15 | [SPEXS Overview \(basic\)](#)
- 17 | [SPEXS Transactions AMIE \(intermediate\)](#)
- 18 | [SPEXS Transactions NIEM \(intermediate\)](#)
- 19 | [SPEXS Batch Transactions \(intermediate\)](#)
- 22 | [SPEXS Bulk Load \(intermediate\)](#)
- 23 | [CD01 Search Inquiry \(basic\)](#)
- 24 | [SPEXS Web UI and Reports \(intermediate\)](#)
- 25 | [SPEXS State Procedures Manual \(intermediate\)](#)
- 25 | [CD05 AKA Data Inquiry \(basic\)](#)
- 30 | [CD07 Add New Driver \(intermediate\)](#)
- 31 | [CD09 Change Data \(intermediate\)](#)

**OPEN RFPs**

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

**OUR SURVEYS**

Please respond to these surveys from Ontario, California, Indiana, Illinois, Oregon, Texas, Kansas and Georgia.

[Beginner Driver Education](#) (Ends 08/19/2016)

[Combination DUI/DWI/OWI Legislation](#) (Ends 08/22/2016)

[Monitoring Transaction Accuracy](#) (Ends 08/15/2016) Responses received from CA, VA, VT.

[DUI & Boats/Snowmobiles](#) (Ends 08/15/2016) Responses received from AZ, FL, IL, LA, MO, TX, VA.

[Out of State Titles Received by Mail](#) (Ends 08/12/2016) Responses received from AZ, CA, FL, IL, MA, NC, NY, UT, VT.

[Remedial Education in Lieu of DL Suspension](#) (Ends 08/10/2016) Responses received from AL, AR, CA, CT, IA, ID, IL, MO, MS, NE, NT, OR, PA, SD, SK, VA, VT.

application requirements, and technical assistance during the grant solicitation period for the TTPSF. Applications for the program must be submitted electronically no later than 11:59 p.m. on September 16, 2016. Historically, FHWA has awarded 183 tribes a total of \$8.6 million in 2013; 82 tribes a total of \$8.5 million in March of 2015; 36 tribes \$449,500 in December of 2015; and 35 tribes a total of \$8 million in 2016. This notice represents the fourth notice to announce an additional round of funding and requesting grant applications for Fiscal Year 2016.

**FMCSA Posts Final Rule to Satisfy Numerous FAST Act Provisions**

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has implemented multiple provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act by [final rule](#). Most notably for AAMVA members, this final rule would implement section 31315(b) of the FAST Act – which allows an exemption to be granted for no longer than 5 years (from 2 years) and to be renewed, upon request, for subsequent periods of no longer than 5 years if the Secretary finds that the exemption would likely achieve an equivalent, or greater, level of safety. This final rule also amends existing code to provide an hours-of-service exception for motor carriers transporting a motor home or recreational vehicle trailer in a driveway-towaway operation by using either a paper record of duty status form or an electronic logging device. The final rule clarifies which exemptions found in state laws relative to "covered farm vehicles" may not be taken into consideration during the federal grant management process. The final rule addresses the HOS requirements associated with "hi-rail" vehicles; exempts drivers of ready-mixed concrete delivery vehicles from keeping records of duty status under certain circumstances; changes the air-mile radius associated with transportation of construction materials as associated with HOS requirements; provides new exemptions for certain trucks used in the pipeline industry; and allows a state, at its discretion, to waive the requirement for a holder of a Class A CDL to obtain a hazardous materials endorsement to transport 1,000 gallons or less of diesel fuel.

**FMCSA Amends Commercial Vehicle Inspection, Repair and Maintenance Regulations**

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has amended its Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations regarding the parts and accessories necessary for safe operation as they pertain to inspection, repair and maintenance by [final rule](#). Specifically, the amendments would add a definition of "major tread groove" and an illustration to indicate the location of tread wear indicators or wear bars on a tire signifying a major tread groove; revise the rear license plate lamp requirement to eliminate the requirement for an operable rear license plate lamp on vehicles when there is no rear license plate present; amend the regulations regarding tires to prohibit the operation of a vehicle with speed-restricted tires at speeds that exceed the rated limit of the tire; provide specific requirements regarding when violations or defect noted on an inspection report must be corrected; amends two appendices with respect to inspection of antilock braking systems and automatic brake adjusters, speed-restricted tires, and motorcoach passenger seat mounting anchorages; amends periodic inspection rules to eliminate the option for a motor carrier to satisfy the annual inspection requirement through a violation-free roadside inspection; and amends the inspector qualification requirements as a result of the amendments to the periodic inspection rules.

**Appeals Court Rules on Texas Voter ID Law**

The 5<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals has ordered changes to Texas' voter identification law, finding the state violated the Voting Rights Act of 1965 because the 2011 voter ID law has a discriminatory effect against minority voters. While the exact changes have yet to be determined, the 5<sup>th</sup> Circuit stopped short of striking down the whole law. Instead it ordered a lower court judge to implement the remedy for the discriminatory effect with as little disruption as possible while continuing to "respect the Legislature's stated objective to safeguard the integrity of elections by requiring more secure forms of voter identification." The problem from the majority may lie in how the law was written. The decision notes that the legislature carefully selected the IDs that someone must possess in order to vote – something the court suggests may be possessed by minorities in fewer numbers. The Texas Attorney General's Office identified the seven acceptable forms of photo ID to

[Vehicle Safety Inspection Station Regulating](#) (Ends 08/09/2016) Responses received from AL, AZ, CA, DE, ID, IL, K, KY, MD, MN, MO, NE, OH, OK, OR, PA, VA, VT, WY.

[Return Title Policy](#) (Ends 08/08/2016) Responses received from DC, FL, GA, ID, IL, IN, MD, ME, MI, MN, MO, NC, NE, NH, NY, OR, RI, TX, UT, VA, VT.

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 [here](#).

include a Texas driver's license, a Texas free election identification certificate, A Texas personal ID card, a Texas license to carry a concealed handgun, a U.S. military ID card, a U.S. citizenship certificate and a U.S. passport. With little time to spare prior to the 2016 elections, it is expected that the ruling will be appealed to the Supreme Court quickly, which would make it the first major election law case the justices would consider prior to the November elections. [Read the ruling here](#).

## PARTNER NEWS

### Autonomous Vehicles Safety Regulation World Congress

The program for the [Autonomous Vehicles Safety Regulation World Congress](#) is now available. This conference is to discuss and explore how to create a regulatory framework to enable further public testing of autonomous and driverless vehicles. It will also debate what regulatory and legal challenges must be addressed before autonomous vehicles can be purchased and used by consumers. Visit <http://www.autonomousregulationscongress.com/index.php> for more information.

### Incorporating Driver Behaviors into Connected and Automated Vehicle Simulation

The Advancing Transportation Leadership and Safety (ATLAS) Center at the University of Michigan has released a report that proposes a framework for incorporating driver behaviors into a microscopic traffic simulation for automated vehicle/connected vehicle applications. [Read more here](#).



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