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Head over to [movemag.org](http://movemag.org) to see the latest entry in our Meet the Board series, this time featuring Vice Chair of the AAMVA Board, Mark Lowe. Learn about how Mark got involved in the AAMVA Community and what he’s looking forward to accomplishing this year. Visit [movemag.org](http://movemag.org) for the full story.
The AAMVA International Board of Directors held their annual Winter meeting, January 8-10 in San Diego. The Board discussed a number of important issues facing the association including development of the Driver License Data Verification system, the new State-to-State system, NMVTIS, and the newest best practices that have been distributed to members. Chair Jennifer Cohan (DE) presided over the board's discussions and decisions as they related to a number of operational items and also launched discussion of the upcoming update to the Association's strategic plan. The Board also received updates from multiple federal partners and the Industry Advisory Board. For more on the AAMVA Board, visit here.

**NMVTIS Business Rules Working Group Meets**

The NMVTIS Business Rules Working Group held a meeting in San Diego, California on January 15 & 16, 2014 with representatives from participating jurisdictions to raise and address operational and technical issues. AAMVA facilitates the meetings and ensures the Working Group receives information about additions and upgrades to jurisdiction participation status, system outages and maintenance, and planned enhancements. In this meeting, the working group focused on outstanding issues submitted by the jurisdictions concerning operation of NMVTIS and reviewed the NMVTIS State Online Procedures Manual, as well as made final preparations to publish the NMVTIS Best Practices Manual. For more on the working group, visit aamva.org.

**Congress Considers Hefty Voter Rights Legislation**

Congress introduced legislation that would rewrite the 1965 Voting Rights Act late this week. Upon introduction, the legislation was quickly met with numerous political and legal concerns. While bicameral and bipartisan legislation often heralds a good start to the legislative process, the legislation carries hefty political consequences in a divided Congress that is facing an election year. As part of the legislation's sweeping reforms, it would amend the standing "coverage formula" which subjected states formally found in violation of the Voting Rights Act to receive federal approval of their voting laws to ensure proposed changes to the elections laws did not result in disenfranchisement. Of specific interest to AAMVA members is the language in Section 2 of the legislation, which specifically states that "the imposition of requiring an individual to provide a photo identification as a condition of receiving a ballot for voting in an election" does NOT constitute a violation triggering court intervention on state-passed election laws. The legislation was
sponsored by Senate Judiciary Chairman Patrick Leahy (D-VT), Representative Jim Sensenbrenner (R-WI) and Representative John Conyers (D-MI) and is the result of months of closed-door negotiations. The legislation is in its very early stages. AAMVA will monitor the bill and keep its membership apprised of legislative progress. For more, visit the Government Affairs section of the AAMVA website.

Register Online Today - 2014 Workshop & Law Institute

Register now to join us in St. Louis, Missouri for the 2014 Workshop and Law Institute, March 11-13. We've planned a great program, packed with informative sessions, networking, and fun, all in the beautiful city of St. Louis. Whether you're traveling from New York, Los Angeles or Seattle, St. Louis takes pride in being only three hours away from most major U.S. cities. This central location makes it easy for people from all over the country to visit. Once you've made it to the Gateway City, there are plenty of great attractions, flavors and entertainment to keep you enthralled while you're there.

St. Louis turns 250 this year and there are plenty of ways to help celebrate while in town for the 2014 Workshop. Crowned as one of America's 10 Best Cities for Cheapskates, St. Louis is a great place to do a lot, without spending a lot. There are plenty of free attractions near downtown, like the St. Louis Zoo, Forrest Park, the world famous Gateway Arch and Anheuser Busch. Visit Busch Stadium (home of the Cardinals) or take in a hockey game at Scottrade Center. The Blues (NHL) will be in town during the Workshop on Tuesday, March 11th, and Thursday, March 13th. Register now - complete your registration by February 7th to get the discounted rate!

AAMVA Webinar: Overview Sessions for the CDLIS Release 5.3

In February 2013, AAMVA released the new Commercial Driver's License Information System (CDLIS) System Specification (Release 5.3.1 and Release 5.3.2) along with CDLIS State Procedures Manual (Release 5.3.2). Documentation can be found on the AAMVA website at aamva.org/CDLIS. In April 2013, AAMVA presented overview sessions to provide details of the changes. This is an additional opportunity to understand the requirements and ramifications of release 5.3.
For your convenience, we are offering this FREE webinar on the following dates, please register for only one. The discussion will be hosted and presented by Deepti Yakasiri (AAMVA). Register by clicking the date of your choice:

**Wednesday, February 19th, 2:00 - 3:00 pm (EST)**

**Thursday, February 20th, 10:00 - 11:00 am (EST)**

### CDLIS Timeliness, Data Quality, and Capabilities 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 December are now ready for viewing.

To request a copy of these reports, please click on the following link [REQUEST](#).

### CDLIS 5.3.1 & 5.3.2 Production Migration

Mississippi is the most recent state to implement CDLIS 5.3.1 changes in production, bringing the total number of states in production to 3. States that are at a version older than CDLIS 5.3.1, should be able to conduct business with Mississippi seamlessly. Please note that this is for information purposes only and jurisdictions do not have to make any changes at their end to accept Mississippi as a 5.3.1 state.

Utah and Wyoming are the most recent states to implement CDLIS 5.3.2 changes in production, bringing the total number of states in production to 3. States that are at a version older than CDLIS 5.3.2, should be able to conduct business with Wisconsin and Utah seamlessly. Please note that this is for information purposes only and jurisdictions do not have to make any changes at their end to accept Wisconsin and Utah as a 5.3.2 state. For details please refer to [http://www.aamva.org/CDLIS-53-Testing-Status/](http://www.aamva.org/CDLIS-53-Testing-Status/).

### Share Information With Other Jurisdictions

Please respond to these surveys from Maine, Quebec, North Dakota, Nevada, Missouri, Virginia, Kentucky, and British Columbia. The jurisdictions that have already responded are listed after each survey.

- **Firearms on Applicants for Road Exams** (Ends 02/11/2014) Responses received from IA, OK, WY.
- **Severely Damaged Vehicles** (Ends 02/04/2014) Responses received from FL, OH, OK.
- **Tracking & Monitoring the Use of Titles** (Ends 02/11/2014) Responses received from AB, AL, AR, BC, GA, IL, LA, MB, MD, MO, NE, NJ, PA, RI, SD, UT, VA, VT, WI, WV, WY.
- **Agency Funding Model** (Ends 01/27/2014) Responses received from AB, AL, AR, BC, GA, IL, LA, MB, MD, MO, NE, NJ, PA, RI, SD, UT, VA, VT, WI, WV, WY.
• **Junk Title** (Ends 01/31/2014) Responses received from AB, AL, CA, FL, IA, ID, IL, LA, MN, MS, ND, NE, NJ, NM, NV, OH, OK, OR, UT, VA, WY.

• **Motorcycle Training and Testing** (Ends 01/27/2014) Responses received from AB, AR, BC, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, IL, IN, IA, MA, MD, MN, MO, ND, NE, NJ, NM, OR, PA, SC, TN, UT, VT.

• **Parental Notification - Drivers Under 18** (Ends 01/31/2014) Responses received from AB, AL, BC, CA, DE, FL, GA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MA, MD, MN, MO, MT, ND, NE, NJ, NM, PA, PE, RI, SC, TX, UT, VA, WY.

• **Pastafarian Religious Head Covering** (Ends 01/24/2014) Responses received from AB, AK, AL, AR, AZ, BC, DE, FL, GA, ID, IL, IN, KS, LA, MA, MN, MO, ND, NE, NJ, NM, NY, ON, OR, QC, SD, TN, UT, VA, VT.

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 at http://www.aamva.org/Survey/User/SurveyDefault.aspx.

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**Janet Dolan Retires**

PennDOT Director of the Bureau of Driver Licensing for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Janet Dolan, is retiring after 34 years of insightful leadership and consistently exceptional customer service. Her tenure with the Commonwealth began in the Bureau of Driver Licensing in 1980, from which she rose swiftly and steadily through the ranks; helping to pioneer Safety Administration’s initial efforts to decentralize its products and services. Through Janet’s efforts, Pennsylvanians have experienced roadways safer for drivers of all ages and forms of identification more secure. Today’s bureau boasts those whose management styles have been molded by Janet’s legacy of leadership from which the commonwealth will continue to benefit for years to come. A very active member of the AAMVA Community, Janet is a former chair of the Vehicle Standing Committee. AAMVA wishes her the best in her retirement.

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**NTSB Releases Top 10 Most Wanted List of Transportation Improvements for 2014**

The National Transportation Safety Board has released its 2014 Most Wanted List, the top 10 advocacy and awareness priorities for the agency for 2014, including two priorities focused on safe driving. The full list includes:

- **Address Unique Characteristics of Helicopter Operations**
- **Advance Passenger Vessel Safety**
- Eliminate Distraction in Transportation
- Eliminate Substance-Impaired Driving
- Enhance Pipeline Safety
- Improve Fire Safety in Transportation
- General Aviation: Identify and Communicate Hazardous Weather
- Implement Positive Train Control Systems
- Promote Operational Safety in Rail Mass Transit
- Strengthen Occupant Protection in Transportation

For more information, visit ntsb.org.