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AAMVA Opposes RECALL Act in Recent Position Statement

On March 25, 2015, [AAMVA announced a policy position](#) in opposition of the [RECALL Act \(S.617\)](#). The RECALL Act (introduced earlier this month) mandates state motor vehicle agencies notify owners of any outstanding vehicle safety recalls at the time of registration; requires owners to complete all safety recall work prior to registration renewal; and withholds federal highway funds from any state that fails to comply. AAMVA, who has been joined by the Governor's Highway Safety Association (GHSA), is working with the bill's sponsors and will keep the membership apprised of its status. [View AAMVA's Position Statement in the March 25th Legislative Alert](#)

2015 Workshop & Law Institute Presentations Available



AAMVA's 2015 Workshop & Law Institute in Fort Worth, Texas, sent members home armed with the information they need to help run an effective and efficient agency. Now we can all live (or relive) the event via the 2015 Workshop and Law Institute Downloads Center. Visit the page where you can view and download presentations, watch the wrap-up video, and browse through photo albums on Flickr. And don't forget to check out the Standing Committee Update videos that were presented at the Opening General Session. It's all right at your fingertips--[visit the 2015 Workshop & Law Institute Downloads Center today!](#)

New Additions to AAMVA's Solutions and Best Practices Library



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Two new additions have just been added to the library of [Solutions and Best Practices](#) on AAMVA's Website:

- [AAMVA Motorcycle Operator Manual](#)
- [Best Practices for the Deterrence and Detection of Fraud](#)

The AAMVA Motorcycle Operator Manual (MOM) includes an updated motorcycle operator's manual and knowledge test question pool. The MOM will help ensure motorcycle riders know what they need to know to safely operate on the roads, while promoting uniformity in the way jurisdictions test rider knowledge. [Watch the video executive summary here.](#)

The Best Practices for the Deterrence and Detection of Fraud is a comprehensive document that addresses both internal and external fraud. In addition to presenting ways to deter and detect fraud, the document gives background on different types of fraud and the psychology of those who seek to perpetrate fraud. It also discusses the impact fraud can have on national security and highway safety as well as the personal impact identity theft can have on the customers DMVs serve. [Watch the video executive summary here.](#)

Looking for Members to Lend Their Expertise!

Serving on a committee is an ideal way to influence policy, develop best practices and network with your peers. AAMVA is looking for jurisdiction members to lend us their expertise by filling several vacancies on our three standing committees. Details on the vacant positions are available on AAMVA's Web site in the [Committee Opportunities](#) tab on the Committees and Working Group page. If you are interested in serving on a committee, please complete the [Committee Member Application Form](#). All applications must be received by **May 4, 2015**. (If you have previously submitted an application, you do not need to reapply provided your information is up to

date.) If you have questions, please contact Dianne Graham, director, Member & Conference Services [via email](#) or phone (703) 908-8267.

2015 National Law Enforcement Challenge - Apply Now

Every year, the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) holds the National Law Enforcement Challenge (NLEC), a traffic safety enforcement recognition program that recognizes law enforcement agencies nationwide for their outstanding work in keeping the roadways in their community safe. AAMVA is an official partner in this IACP program along with the National Sheriffs' Association (NSA), and the Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA), through a cooperative agreement with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). **Applications for the National Law Enforcement Challenge are due Friday, May 1, 2015.** For more information on the National Law Enforcement Challenge, visit <http://www.theiacp.org/NLEC>

Martha Irwin Award for Lifetime Achievement in Highway Safety

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. An award is presented for achievement in highway safety in Motor Vehicle Administration and one for achievement in highway safety in Law Enforcement. For more information and to download the nomination form, visit <http://www.aamva.org/Martha-Irwin-Award/>. **Nomination forms are due April 15, 2015.**

AAMVA Systems Training

Course Name: Introduction to the National Driver Register

Course Description: This introductory session provides history and background on NDR, PDPS and the reason why they exist, State's Responsibility, and the Relationship between NDR, PDPS, States, and AAMVA.

Training Session: Monday, April 20th, 2-4 ET

Enroll for the class:

<http://aamva.intevista.com/RegistrationandLogin/tabid/70/Default.aspx?returnurl=%2fdefault.aspx>
[You will have to register if you are new to the training site by clicking on "Register"]

AAMVA at IACP/Motorola Trooper Of The Year Awards



AAMVA Director of Law Enforcement Brian Ursino attended the IACP/Motorola Trooper of the Year Awards Banquet on March 27, 2015. This banquet was held in conjunction with the Division of State & Provincial Police mid-year meeting in Alexandria, VA. Congratulations to Corporal Lloyd McCann, Delaware State Police, for being named the 2014 IACP/Motorola Trooper of the Year. Corporal McCann was in attendance along with the other regional finalists for this award. All of their stories can be read here: <http://goo.gl/3xMCYj> and a picture of them with IACP Executive Director/CEO Talucci, IACP President Beary, and First VP Cunningham can be found here: <http://goo.gl/MqBDya>. Congratulations to all four troopers, their families, their colonels, and their agencies!

Illinois Fully Participates in NMVTIS

AAMVA is very pleased to announce that Illinois is now fully participating in NMVTIS with its successful implementation to conduct batch inquiries. Illinois already provides daily batch updates. Congratulations, Illinois! For more information about NMVTIS federal compliance requirements, please contact [Marney Michalowski](#), NMVTIS Program Manager.

Share Information with Other Jurisdictions

Please respond to these surveys from Texas, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Rhode Island, and Washington. The jurisdictions that have already responded are listed after each survey.

- [Title Security and Issuance Process](#) (Ends 04/10/2015) Responses received from AL, KS, NH, MB, OH, UT, VA.
- [Vehicle Inspections - Lights and Tires](#) (Ends 04/14/2015) Response received from Virginia.
- [Refunds](#) (Ends 04/17/2015)
- [Use of Out of Country Licenses](#) (Ends 04/17/2015) Response received from AR, IL, IN, KS, MD, ME, MN, NE, NY, OH, SK, VA, WA.
- [Disabled Veteran Plates](#) (Ends 04/14/2015)

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>.

DeIDOT Announces New Director for the Division of Motor Vehicles

Delaware Department of Transportation Secretary Jennifer Cohan has named Scott Vien as the new Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles effective March 30, 2015. Mr. Vien has been with the State of Delaware in the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) since 2006. His DMV career began as a Management Analyst with the Commercial Driver License (CDL) program, then serving as the CDL Program Manager before becoming Chief of Driver Services in 2008. He has most recently served as the Deputy Director of DMV, a position he has held since 2013. [Read the full press release on DeIDOT.gov.](#)

Secretary Foxx Sends Six-Year Transportation Bill to Congress

Over the past year, U.S. Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx has visited more than 100 communities and heard one common story – shared by all – about crumbling infrastructure and dwindling resources to fix it with. Today, Secretary Foxx sent to Congress his solution to this problem: a long-term transportation bill that provides funding growth and certainty so that state and local governments can get back in the business of building things again. The GROW AMERICA Act reflects President Obama's vision for a six-year, \$478 billion transportation reauthorization bill that invests in modernizing America's infrastructure. As lawmakers try to fund transportation beyond May 31, GROW AMERICA provides members of the House and Senate with the option of increasing investment in surface transportation by 45 percent, and supporting millions of jobs repairing and modernizing roads, bridges, railroads and transit systems in urban, suburban, and rural communities. For more information, visit dot.gov

FMCSA State Inspections for Passenger-Carrying Vehicles Listening Sessions

FMCSA announces that it will hold a public listening session on April 14, 2015, to solicit information concerning section 32710 of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21). This provision requires FMCSA to complete a rulemaking proceeding to consider requiring States to establish a program for annual inspections of commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) designed or used to transport passengers. Additionally, under MAP-21, FMCSA must assess the risks associated with improperly maintained or inspected CMVs designed or used to transport passengers; the effectiveness of existing Federal standards for the inspection of such vehicles in mitigating the risks associated with improperly maintained vehicles and ensuring the safe and proper operation condition of such vehicles; and the costs and benefits of a mandatory inspection program. Any data regarding this topic would be appreciated. The session will be held at the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance's (CVSA) workshop in Jacksonville, Florida. All comments will be transcribed and placed in the docket referenced above for FMCSA's

consideration. The entire proceeding will be webcast. The listening session will be held on Tuesday, April 14, 2015, from 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., Local Time. For more information, see the [Federal Register](#)