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AAMVA at Automated and Connected Vehicle Demonstration



AAMVA Chair, Rick Holcomb, and AAMVA President and CEO, Anne Ferro, attended the Virginia Automated and Connected Corridors Demonstration today. The demonstration focused on the most advanced technologies being tested by the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute and partners, with participants viewing in real time connected- and automated-vehicle scenarios performed on an operational roadway.



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Mid-Atlantic Meeting Hosted by VA



Virginia DMV hosted a meeting of the mid-Atlantic Chief Administrators last Wednesday and Thursday at the Virginia DMV Service Center in Springfield, VA to discuss emerging issues and time-relevant topics. Several senior level managers from six jurisdictions and members from the AAMVA management team were in attendance for the meetings and the roundtable included discussions on Federal regulations, DL reciprocity, re-entry programs, queueing and appointment systems, automated-and-connected vehicles and much more.

AAMVA Staff Visit Virginia DMV



17 members of AAMVA's staff toured two locations of the Virginia DMV last week. Several DMV managers walked the visitors through all that the DMVs offer to Virginia residents, and reviewed their customer service philosophy. The AAMVA visitors toured the Tyson's and Franconia DMV offices, saw a dealer office in Tyson's, observed a DMV front desk person walk through a NMVTIS query, saw the process of printing a birth certificate on secure paper, and reviewed the daily audit process of all paperwork, including title liens. The group also stopped by the Mid-Atlantic Meeting that was being hosted in Virginia.

House Energy and Commerce Committee to Hear Legislation Including Mandated DMV Notification of Recall Status

On Wednesday, October 21st, the United States House Energy and Commerce Committee's Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade will hold [a hearing](#) called "Examining Ways to Improve Vehicle and Roadway Safety." This hearing will address [a discussion draft](#) that includes sections with serious implications for the AAMVA membership. Particularly damaging is language in Section 203 that would mandate state participation in a recall notification program. This notification program would require that state government agree to notify, at the time of vehicle registration, each owner or lessee of a motor vehicle be provided with open motor vehicle recall information at no cost. AAMVA members should also be aware that authors have chosen to insert the notification provisions into the code section that deals with the National Driver Register (49 USC 30303). Use of NDR as the notification mechanism is not only misguided because the system does not carry any vehicle information, but as written, the amendments could jeopardize state ability to remain a participating state in the National Driver Register. The bill does not identify any funding mechanism or maintenance of effort considerations for the mandate. The discussion draft under consideration is not the first attempt by manufacturers to move legislation transferring the obligation of consumer notification of recall status onto motor vehicle agencies. AAMVA has already been heavily involved in discussions that led to alternative bills being defeated in both chambers. AAMVA continues to educate lawmakers on the serious implications the proposal would have on the AAMVA membership.

AAMVA's Kevin Lewis Recognized by CVTA



AAMVA's Director of Driver Programs, Kevin Lewis, received the Commercial Vehicle Training Association's (CVTA) 2015 Highway Safety Award and was inducted into the CVTA Highway Safety Hall of Fame. With nearly 20 years in the AAMVA community, Kevin has become an expert in the field of commercial driver licensing in North America.

AAMVA Attends White House Champions of Change Event



On October 13th, AAMVA's Director of Government Affairs Cian Cashin and Controller Tia Glenn attended the 2015 White House Champions of Change. The event highlighted the stories and examples of citizens across the nation, who are leading projects and initiatives that move their communities forward. Those honored by the White House are individuals who have provided exemplary leadership in advancing transportation and leading change that benefits our nation's transportation system for decades to come at the local, regional and/or national levels.

Looking for a PACE Discipline Member to Lend Expertise

AAMVA is looking for a PACE discipline jurisdiction member to join the [Driver Standing Committee](#). Serving on a committee is an ideal way to influence policy, develop best practices and network with your peers. If you would like to apply for this vacancy, please complete the [Committee Member Application Form](#). This position is a two-year term with the potential to be reappointed for an additional two years. If you are interested in the position, please submit an application by November 2, 2015. If you have questions, please contact Dianne Graham, director, Member & Conference Services via email dgraham@aamva.org or phone (703) 908-8267.

Hotel Registration Deadline for the 2015 Region III Information Exchange is TODAY October 19



Register now for the 2015 Region III Information Exchange, November 3-5, 2015 at the [Hilton Chicago/Oak Brook Hills Resort & Conference Center](#).

Hotel registration deadline is TODAY October

19th! Visit <http://www.aamva.org/2015-Region-III-Exchange/> for more information and to register online.

Upcoming Webinars



NMVTIS State Web Interface (SWI) 3.0 - Understanding the New Data Elements

Tuesday, October 20, 2015, 2:00 - 3:00 pm (EDT)
Tuesday, October 27, 2015, 2:00 - 3:00 pm (EDT)
Tuesday, November 3, 2015, 2:00 - 3:00 pm (EDT)
Tuesday, November 10, 2015, 2:00 - 3:00 pm (EDT)
Tuesday, November 17, 2015, 2:00 - 3:00 pm (EDT)

In addition to the Title, Brand, Theft and Junk, Salvage and Insurance information currently returned by the SWI, the application will now display State Vehicle Data from the State-of-Title (SOT) titling system. Users of the SWI will learn how to interpret the 40+ data elements that are returned from the SOT and under which conditions State Vehicle Data is provided. They will also learn about screen navigation and how State Vehicle Data

is displayed. Note: This webinar is for AAMVA jurisdiction and federal government members only. If you are a member and wish to register for this webinar, please login to the site, and go to the [Members Only Webinar page here](#).

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 September are now ready for viewing. To request a copy of these reports, please click on the following link [REQUEST](#)

Share Information with Other Jurisdictions

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

Foreign Driver's License Reciprocity (Ends 11/06/2015) Response received from ND.

Transfer of Licenses - Puerto Rico or Territories (Ends 11/13/2015) Responses received from AK, FL, IL, ND, NE, NH, SC.

Interpreter Fraud (Ends 11/04/2015) Responses received from ID, IL, IN, ND, NE, NH, SC, VT.

Frontline Employee Involvement in Improvement (Ends 11/04/2015) Responses received from BC, KS, ND, RI, VT.

Mechanic Liens on Vehicles (Ends 11/06/2015) Responses received from ID, KY, MD, MO, MS, NC, ND, NE, NH, OR, PA, TX, VA, VT, WI.

Call Center Metrics (Ends 10/30/2015) Responses received from BC, GA, IA, ID, IL, KS, MD, ME, MN, ND, UT, WA.

Facial Recognition (Ends 11/02/2015) Responses received from AR, BC, CA, ID, IL, LA, MD, ME, ND, NE, NH, OK, OR, QC, TX, VA, WA.

Vehicle Inspection Station Monitoring (Ends 11/03/2015) Responses received from AR, CA, FL, IA, ID, IL, KY, MN, MO, NC, ND, NE, NH, NM, OR, PA, RI, UT, VT, WY.

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>.

NY DMV Website Wins National Award

The website for the state DMV has won a national award for its design, ease of use and scope of services. It's won the 2015 Pinnacle Award from the National Association of Government Web Professionals. It's the second

national accolade it has received this year. Redesigned in February 2014, DMV's website was named one of the nation's best DMV websites earlier this year by DMV.com. [Read the full story at WNYT.com.](#)

NCDMV Unveils New Mobile Offices At State Fair

Following Governor Pat McCrory's introduction of the customer service enhancements at the N.C. Division of Motor Vehicles, the Division is unveiling its innovative new mobile offices at the N.C. State Fair. The mobile offices are designed to better reach remote areas and enhance customer service as part of the Governor's continued Driving Change initiatives at NCDMV – and they are the first of their kind in the nation. For more information, [read the full press release](#)

U.S. House of Representatives Releases Draft Surface Transportation Reauthorization and Reform Act of 2015

The U.S. House of Representatives has unveiled their own six-year surface transportation reauthorization measure Friday morning. The release comes just in advance of a scheduled House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee markup of the legislation currently scheduled for Thursday, October 22nd. The measure continues to provide authorization for a full six years after House Ways and Means Committee leadership indicated that the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee should move ahead without reliance on a tax overhaul measure to supplement the three years' worth of funding identified in the Senate-passed reauthorization measure (HR 22). For more information, see the full [AAMVA Legislative Alert](#)

House of Representatives to Mark Up Surface Transportation Measure

The United States House of Representatives' Transportation and Infrastructure Committee has announced that it will take up a markup of its surface transportation reauthorization measure on October 22. The markup is scheduled only a week before current authorization is set to expire on October 29th. Because of the short time frame to clear all procedural hurdles in the House, and a required conference with a previously passed Senate version, passage of the bill prior to the current deadline is a longshot. This means that the most likely option will be for another short-term extension of current authorization. As mentioned earlier in the month, the House has indicated that the authorization committee would have to move forward without reliance on an international tax revenue offset to help pay for the bill. As the Committees struggle to set the appropriate funding levels and corresponding funding mechanisms, the policy work on the legislation continues to move forward as they hope to avoid another series of lengthy extensions.

GAO Releases Report on V2I Technologies

The U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) has issued [a report](#) entitled, "Vehicle-to-Infrastructure Technologies Expected to Offer Benefits, but Deployment Challenges Exist." The report addresses the status of V2I technologies, the challenges that could affect the deployment of V2I technologies, DOT efforts to address these changes, and what is known about the potential benefits and costs of V2I technologies. GAO reviewed documentation on V2I from DOT, automobile manufacturers, industry

associations, and state and local agencies. The report cites that, "the full extent of V2I technologies and benefits and costs is unclear because test deployments have been limited thus far; however, DOT has supported initial research into the potential benefits and costs."

GHSA: New Report Calls for Expanding Teen Safe Driving Efforts

Despite progress in recent decades, motor vehicle crashes are still the leading cause of death of teens in the U.S. In 2013, nearly 4,000 drivers 15 to 20 years old were involved in fatal crashes¹. And a strong economy means more disposable income that puts more teens at risk on the road - often in older cars without the latest safety features. Preliminary 2015 data² suggest that overall traffic fatalities are on the rise. Many states already have [strong teen driver licensing laws](#) and programs promoting parent involvement, both essential for addressing teen crash risk. But achieving further reductions in novice driver crashes, injuries and fatalities will require enlisting the help of other adults who have the opportunity and capacity to positively influence teens. National Teen Driver Safety Week, October 18-24, presents the perfect opportunity to examine how to engage these "non-traditional" adult influencers. A new report from the Governors Highway Safety Association, [Under Their Influence: The New Teen Safe Driving Champions](#), provides fresh insight and examples of how states can partner with these other adults. The report was funded through a grant from the Ford Motor Company Fund, researched and written by national teen driving expert Pam Fischer, and guided by a panel of teen safe driving experts.