FMCSA Seeks Comment to Allow Young Non-Military Drivers to Operate in Interstate Commerce

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) has requested comments on a potential pilot program that would allow all drivers aged 18, 19, and 20 to operate commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) in interstate commerce. On July 6, 2018, FMCSA published a Federal Register notice announcing the details of a Commercial Driver Pilot Program allowing 18 to 20-year-olds with specific military training to operate CMVs in interstate commerce. This latest notice represents a second pilot program for non-military drivers aged 18, 19, and 20 to operate in interstate commerce. FMCSA requests comments on the training, qualifications, driving limitations, and vehicle safety systems that FMCSA should consider in developing options or approaches for a second pilot program for younger drivers.

Comments on the proposal are due July 15, 2019. AAMVA members submitting comments are encouraged to copy governmentaffairs@aamva.org so that AAMVA may reflect those comments in their own.