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AAMVA Leadership Meets with Delegation from China to Discuss Autonomous Vehicles



AAMVA leadership and members of the AAMVA Autonomous Vehicles Working Group recently held a productive meeting in San Francisco with a delegation from China to discuss autonomous vehicles. The AAMVA representatives discussed the various state autonomous vehicle testing strategies and pilot projects along with the current AAMVA Working Group activities. The delegation from China, along with their interpreter, discussed the policy and technology research that is underway in their country. It was apparent that while the two delegations are located continents apart, they have many common interests related to highly automated vehicles. The group agreed that another meeting next year would be beneficial. [Click here for a full listing of the delegations.](#)

Cathie Curtis Receives Chair's Award of Excellence



At the 2017 Annual International Conference, AAMVA Director of Vehicle Programs, Cathie Curtis, received the Chair's Award of Excellence and Achievement. This award is a special honor given at the discretion of the AAMVA Chair of the Board to an individual or organization whose contributions and service have left a lasting impression on the AAMVA community. The award is presented each year at AAMVA's Annual International Conference. 2016-2017 Chair of the AAMVA Board, Jean Shiomoto, recognized Cathie in large part because of her work in positioning AAMVA as a thought leader in discussions about the future of autonomous and connected vehicle technology.

New AAMVA Region 3 President Selected

Effective September 5th, Jane Schrank, Director, South Dakota Driver Licensing and current Region 3 Vice President will assume the Region 3 President responsibilities. Lisa Kaspar, current Region 3 President and Director of the Kansas Division of Motor Vehicles, will be retiring. For more information, please contact [Julie Knittle](#), AAMVA Director of Member Services, Regions 3 & 4.

Looking for Members to Lend Their Expertise!

AAMVA is looking for additional jurisdiction members to lend us expertise. Serving on a committee is an ideal way to influence policy, develop best practices and network with your peers. The information below shows the specific positions that we are seeking jurisdiction members to fill on two of our standing committees. If a region is indicated, the applicant chosen will be from that region. If the region is

OUR EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

9-16 | [2017 September CDL Examiner Update Class](#)

St. Petersburg, Florida
By invitation only

11-12 | [2017 September Disability Placard Fraud Working Group Meeting](#)

Chicago, Illinois
By invitation only

19-20 | [2017 September FDR Maintenance Committee Leadership Meeting](#)

Arlington, Virginia
By invitation only

19-21 | [2017 September IDEC & TMS Meeting](#)

Arlington, Virginia
By invitation only

26-28 | [2017 Region IV Chief Administrators Meeting](#)

Tempe, Arizona
By invitation only

OCTOBER

3-4 | [2017 Combined Standing Committees Meeting](#)

Reston, Virginia
By invitation only

24-26 | [2017 Region III Information Exchange](#)

Oak Brook, Illinois



OUR WEBINARS

SEPTEMBER

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

13 | [NMVTIS Suspense Resolution for Online States \(AMIE Version\) - Part 2](#)

shown as N/A, the applicant chosen could be from any region. We attempt to maintain jurisdictional and regional balance on all committees and working groups. The following committees have vacancies and applications are being accepted. [Learn more about AAMVA committees.](#)

Law Enforcement Committee

Information Technology Representative - N/A

Vehicle Committee

Vehicle Representative - Region 1 (two positions available)

If you would like to serve on one of these committees, please complete the [Committee Application Form](#). If you have questions, please contact Me'Shell Drigo or Dianne Graham via email to committees@amva.org or phone 703.522.4200.

Ignition Interlock Program Best Practices Guide Survey

AAMVA has created [a survey](#) to gather more information regarding jurisdiction specific ignition interlock programs to assist in updating our 2015 Ignition Interlock Program Best Practices Guide. The landscape has changed significantly with multiple jurisdictions passing varying forms of legislation governing these programs. We are also addressing the issue of reciprocity and would like to know what your jurisdiction does both programmatically, and in addressing reciprocity! [Survey](#) responses are due **September 15th, 2017**.

JURISDICTION NEWS

Iowa Driver & Identification Services Director

On September 8th, Darcy Doty will be appointed the Driver & Identification Services Director at the Iowa Department of Transportation, Motor Vehicle Division. Darcy joined the department in December of 2016 to lead the new Education & Information unit within Driver & Identification Services. Darcy has a Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education, World History & American History, has completed coursework for a Doctorate in Education Administration in Leadership, and also holds a Master's in Public Administration – all from Drake University. She was awarded the Garry L. Frank Legacy Award last spring which recognizes established MPA alumnus who exemplify the ideals of innovation, impact, and engagement. Congratulations, Darcy!

Idaho Weigh-in-Motion Systems Saved Trucking Industry 33,000 Hours and \$3.5 Million in Last Year

Weigh-in-motion (WIM) systems like the one installed in February at the Inkom Port of Entry (POE) in southeast Idaho save the trucking industry huge chunks of time and money. Trucks bypassing the port save an average of five minutes of time per incident, and almost a half a gallon of fuel. This amounts to a savings of about \$8.68 per bypass. Commercial trucks using WIM to bypass Idaho ports saved 33,365 hours and more than 16,000 gallons of fuel in the last year. [Read more here.](#)

Alabama Temporarily Suspends IRP and IFTA Requirements

Alabama Department of Revenue Commissioner, Vernon Barnett, has ordered the temporary suspension of the requirements associated with the International Registration Plan (IRP) and International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) for any motor vehicle engaged in interstate disaster relief efforts in Texas, or traveling through Alabama as part of the disaster relief. [Read more here.](#)

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

21 | [NMVTIS Suspense Resolution for Online States \(AMIE Version\) - Part 1](#)

SYSTEMS TRAINING

SEPTEMBER

SPEXS (S2S)

05 | SPEXS Overview (basic)

06 | SPEXS Transactions AMIE (intermediate)

07 | SPEXS Transactions (NIEM) intermediate)

08 | SPEXS Batch Transactions (intermediate)

CDLIS and Related Topics

06 | CDLIS Reports - Identifying Potential Issues with SDLA Inquiries Check, Medical Recordkeeping, Discqualifying Convictions Received and Disqualifying Convictions Rejected Reports (advanced)

07 | CDLIS Reports - Identifying Potential Issues with Quarterly Open Problem Ticket, MPR Summary, Frequent Inquiry and additional CDLIS Reports (advanced)

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OUR SURVEYS

Please respond to these surveys from Colorado, North Carolina, Connecticut, Vermont, and AAMVA.

[Permanently Lawfully Present \(PLP\)](#) (Ends 09/26/2017) Responses received from ID, IL, LA, MO, SC.

[In-office eye exam requirements](#) (Ends 09/26/2017) Responses received from DC, ID, LA, MO, MT, SC, VA, VT.

[Training for How Handle Irate](#)

FEDERAL NEWS

DHS Rescinds DACA Program

The United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has rescinded the program known as “Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals” or DACA. The [program landing](#) page cites a letter from Attorney General Sessions articulating his legal determination that DACA “was effectuated by the previous administration through executive action, without proper statutory authority and with no established end date after Congress’ repeated rejection of proposed legislation that would have accomplished a similar result.” In response, Acting Secretary of Homeland Security Duke issued a memorandum rescinding the June 2012 memo that established DACA and set forward a plan for phasing out DACA. The result of this phased approach is that DHS will provide a limited window in which it will adjudicate certain requests for DACA and associated applications for Employment Authorization Documents meeting the appropriate specifications.

FMCSA Resources on Hurricane Harvey Relief Efforts

FMCSA has made the following resources available with information on Hurricane Harvey relief efforts:

- [FMCSA Notice of Enforcement Discretion Determination](#)
- [FMCSA Facebook Page w/ Hurricane Harvey Updates](#)
- [FMCSA Hurricane Harvey Resource Page](#)

GAO Issues Report on Vehicle Data Privacy

The United States Government Accountability Office (GAO) has issued [a report](#) on vehicle data privacy. GAO conducted the report in concert with the rise of connected vehicles, and associated questions about how the collection, use, and sharing of data associated with the vehicles affect consumer privacy. GAO interviewed 16 selected automakers who offer connected vehicles – and 13 reported collecting, using, and sharing data from connected vehicles, such as data on a car’s location and its operations. These 13 automakers described doing so on a relatively limited basis. For example, they reported using data to provide requested services to consumers and for research and development. None of the 13 reported sharing or selling data that could be linked to a consumer for unaffiliated third parties’ use. GAO concludes, however, that as connected vehicles become more commonplace, the extent of data collection, use, and sharing will likely grow. GAO has recommended that the Secretary of Transportation should direct NHTSA to define, document, and externally communicate the agency’s roles and responsibilities in relation to connected vehicle data privacy.

House to Vote on Autonomous Vehicles Legislation

According to Congressional staff reports, the United States House of Representatives plans to vote on their version of legislation addressing autonomous vehicles on Wednesday, September 6th. That legislation, entitled the SELF DRIVE Act (HR 3388) was approved by the House Energy and Commerce Committee by a unanimous 54-0 Committee vote. Many current links to the legislation represent only a portion of the overall legislation being considered, the complete amended and substituted SELF DRIVE Act passed by the Committee is available [here](#). While the legislation should be considered impactful in its entirety, potential areas of specific interest to the AAMVA community include language regarding federal preemption in Section 3, the safety assessment certification process to be described by DOT regulations in Section 4, and the escalation of exemption volume in Section 6. While a specific time has not been established, live U.S. House of Representatives floor proceedings are available [here](#).

[Customers](#) (Ends 09/29/2017)

Responses received from FL, ID, LA, MO, NH, SC.

[Per se or ALR Programs - DUI](#)

(Ends 09/25/2017) Responses received from AR, CA, FL, ID, IL, IN, LA, NH, NM, PA, SC, VA, WA, WI.

[Vehicle Requirements - Serial Number, NCIC, etc.](#) (Ends

09/21/2017) Responses received from AL, ID, KS, KY, ME, MI, MO, NC, NE, NH, OH, UT, WY.

[Positive Drug/Alcohol Test - Licensing Actions](#) (Ends

09/25/2017) Responses received from CA, ID, IL, LA, MD, SC, VA.

[Ignition Interlock Best Practices Update](#) (Ends 09/15/2017)

Responses received from AB, CA, FL, ID, IL, LA, MN, MO, MS, MT, NC, NE, NM, OH, OR, PA, SK, WI, WY.

[Internet Vehicle Sales Working Group Survey](#) (Ends 09/08/2017)

Responses received from AL, BC, FL, ID, IN, KS, KY, MO, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OR, SC, VA, VT, WA.

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 [here](#).

NHTSA Proposes Ignition Interlock Program Information Collection Request

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has [submitted](#) an information collection request (ICR) to produce a comprehensive document on the state of the practice of alcohol ignition interlock device (IID) programs in the United States. The document will be a resource for IID program administrators, staff and stakeholders working to reduce impaired driving by drivers who have been arrested or convicted of driving while intoxicated (DWI). Every state, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico has an IID law that provides for or requires DWI offenders to install IIDs on their vehicles, which requires IID program delivery. This project will collect information on IID programs in the nation to identify practices, including promising practices, and lessons learned. Participants will be IID program staff who complete a 15 minute online self-administered survey and participate in a semi-structured interview for approximately one hour.

NHTSA Report: Older Driver Foot Movements

NHTSA has released a report that explores how drivers sixty and older control the accelerator and brake while driving and parking. This report builds upon the findings of a study documenting the prevalence and characteristics associated with pedal misapplication crashes. [Read more here](#).

Impact of the Legalization and Decriminalization of Marijuana on the DWI System: Highlights From the Expert Panel Meeting – NHTSA, GHSA, VOLPE

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Governors Highway Safety Association, and Volpe National Transportation Systems Center have released a new report, [Impact of the Legalization and Decriminalization of Marijuana On the DWI System](#). The project examines how the legalization and decriminalization of marijuana impacts a State's DWI system. It focuses on the impacts following enactment of recreational and/or medical marijuana laws on various aspects of the State's DWI system, including enforcement, prosecution, adjudication, probation, toxicology, communication, and highway safety operations. [Read more here](#).

President Trump Issues Executive Order on Law Enforcement Acquisition of Federal Assets

President Donald Trump has issued an executive order entitled, "[Restoring State, Tribal, and Local Law Enforcement's Access to Life-Saving Equipment and Resources](#)." This executive order would revoke prior Executive Order 13688 issued by former President Barack Obama in 2015 which would limit the acquisition of military equipment by State, local and tribal law enforcement agencies. In revoking the former executive order, President Trump returns the ability for state, local and tribal law enforcement agencies to acquire not only federal administrative equipment, but also military and military-styled equipment, firearms, and tactical vehicles provided by the federal government (collectively called "controlled equipment" under 22 CFR 121 and 15 CFR 774).

PARTNER NEWS

2018 TRB Annual Meeting Registration is Open

Register today and make your hotel reservations for TRB's 97th Annual Meeting, January 7-11, 2018, in Washington, D.C. Registration is required for all Annual Meeting attendees, including session speakers, poster presenters, and those who attend any workshop or visit the career fair or the exhibits. [Read more here](#).



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