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## What Kansans Need to Know About DMV Modernization

## Important Dates Related to Vehicle Titles and Registration

- The state vehicle office in the Docking State Office Building will be closed to customers from May 1 through May 7. Web-based applications that interact with the vehicle titling and registration system will also be offline.
- Kansas Web-Tags will shut down at midnight April 26 and will be back online May 7. Vehicle owners whose registrations expire in April, and who want to renew online, need to do it by midnight April 26. Otherwise, they are encouraged to renew in person at their county treasurers' offices to be sure their renewals are processed by end of day April 30.
- Registration renewals due in May, which are printed to be compatible with the new system, will be mailed later than usual. Typically, registration renewals are mailed within the first two weeks of the month prior to their expiration. This cycle, May renewals will mail the fourth week of April.
- May registrations can't be renewed online until after May 7. However, they can be renewed by mail and in person, but not during conversion between May 1 and 7.
- The Kansas Motor Vehicle Electronic Lien Filing and Release System will shut down at midnight April 29.
  It will also be back online May 7.
- Since county treasurer offices title and register vehicles on behalf of the state, they will be closed to vehicle business from May 1 through at least May 7. Some offices may choose to be closed longer to acclimate to the new system, so customers are urged to call ahead before making the trip to their county's office for vehicle business on May 8 and 9.

## Important Dates Related to Driver's Licenses, ID Cards

- Even though driver licensing upgrades will come later this year with phase two of the modernization project, this phase one conversion will interrupt driver licensing services when data are being moved.
- State driver's license offices will be closed from May 1 through 7. County treasurer offices that provide driver's licenses and identification cards will be closed from May 1 through May 6.
- Driver's license and identification card holders whose credentials expire during this time are being notified that services will be unavailable, so they have the opportunity to renew before conversion starts.

## Three-Year Project Supported by County Treasurers, Law Enforcement, Legislators

- County treasurers and law enforcement were pivotal in securing funding for the \$40 million modernization project. With their support, the 2008 Kansas Legislature passed statutes 75-5159 and 75-5160 that authorized project funding.
- The Kansas Department of Revenue and county treasurers view the new system as a much-needed behind-the-counter change that will improve how services are delivered to drivers and vehicle owners throughout Kansas. It also benefits law enforcement because it will give them access to nearly real-time data about drivers and vehicles.
- Work began in 2009 to customize the DMV system, a 3M Corporation product, to make it compatible with Kansas' laws, regulations and business processes.
  While the system was being developed, the department sent a team of trainers into the field to teach state and county workers how to use it.