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## **SECRETARY MERRILL IN LINE TO LEAD NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECRETARIES OF STATE**

SECRETARY OF THE STATE NAMED TO NATIONAL LEADERSHIP POSITION AS  
TREASURER OF NASS; IN LINE TO ASSUME NATIONAL PRESIDENCY IN 2016

**HARTFORD:** Connecticut Secretary of the State Denise Merrill today was elected Treasurer of the National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS), a top leadership position within the national organization that places her in line to be named President of NASS in 2016. Secretary Merrill was named to the national leadership position of Treasurer of NASS during the organization's annual summer conference, taking place in Baltimore this year. She was chosen for the position by newly named NASS President and Oregon Secretary of State Kate Brown. Secretary Merrill had served previously as chair of the NASS voter participation committee, and led a national panel on emergency preparedness for elections with Louisiana Secretary of State Tom Schedler, who was also named today Vice President of NASS, next in line for President. Leadership of NASS – a bipartisan organization among all 50 Secretaries of State – alternates annually between Democratic and Republican members.



“I am so honored to be named as Treasurer of NASS, and I am excited to work under the leadership of my friend Kate Brown to advance a national agenda of better elections, more voting, stronger civic education, and improved services to the business community and the public,” said Secretary Merrill. “I look forward to working with all my colleagues across the country to help give more citizens a voice in government and streamline and improve the way government works with business. I can’t wait to get started!”

The national officers elected today to serve on the NASS Executive Board include:

President: Hon. Kate Brown, Oregon  
President-elect: Hon. Tom Schedler, LA  
Treasurer: Hon. Denise Merrill, CT  
Secretary: Hon. Jim Condos, VT  
Immediate Past President: Hon. Tre Hargett, TN  
Eastern Region Vice President: Hon. Matt Dunlap, ME  
Southern Region Vice President: Hon. Elaine Marshall, NC  
Midwestern Region Vice President: Hon. Connie Lawson, IN  
Western Region Vice President: Hon. Kim Wyman, WA  
Member-at-Large, ACR Liaison: Hon. Jeff Bullock, DE  
Member-at-Large, NPA Liaison: Hon. Mark Martin, AR

NASS is the oldest, nonpartisan professional organization of public officials in the U.S. Members include the 50 states, the District of Columbia, American Samoa and Puerto Rico. NASS serves as a medium for the exchange of information between states and fosters cooperation in the development of public policy. The association has key initiatives in the areas of elections and voting, state business services and digital archiving, international relations and state securities regulation, as well as several well-established awards programs