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SYNOPSIS

Requires transportation network companies to provide riders with certain information and to issue illuminated identifying markers; requires MVC to create transportation network company driver database.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1 **AN ACT** concerning transportation network companies and
2 amending and supplementing P.L.2017, c.26.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. Section 8 of P.L.2017, c.26 (C.39:5H-8) is amended to read
8 as follows:

9 8. A transportation network company shall provide to a
10 transportation network company rider on its website or digital
11 network prior to the rider entering a transportation network
12 company driver's personal vehicle: (1) the name and a picture of the
13 transportation network company driver that is to provide the
14 prearranged ride; (2) a picture of the driver's personal vehicle that
15 is to be used to provide the prearranged ride; and (3) the make,
16 model, color, and license plate number of the driver's personal
17 vehicle that is to be used to provide the prearranged ride **【prior to**
18 **the rider entering the driver's personal vehicle】**.

19 (cf: P.L.2017, c.26, s.8)

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21 2. Section 23 of P.L.2017, c.26 (C.39:5H-23) is amended to
22 read as follows:

23 23. a. Each transportation network company driver shall
24 maintain electronic information while using the transportation
25 network company's digital network that will allow any law
26 enforcement officer, or other city, State, or federal official, to
27 confirm the following information for any transportation network
28 company driver: (1) the driver's identity and a color **【photo】**
29 picture; (2) the make **【and】** , model, color, and picture of the
30 driver's personal vehicle; (3) the license plate number of the driver's
31 personal vehicle; and (4) an electronic record of a prearranged ride
32 underway, if any. Each transportation network company driver
33 shall be able to produce this information, upon the lawful request of
34 any law enforcement officer or other city, State, or federal official.

35 b. A transportation network company shall create an
36 identifying marker capable of being illuminated which shall be
37 submitted to the commission for recording, issued to every
38 transportation network company driver, and displayed on the front
39 and rear of the driver's personal vehicle **【when】** while the driver
40 **【logs】** is logged on to the transportation network company's digital
41 network as a driver or **【provides】** is providing a prearranged ride.
42 The identifying marker shall be illuminated and visible from outside
43 of the vehicle while a driver is logged on to the transportation
44 network company's digital network as a driver during times of

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets 【thus】 in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1 darkness or is providing a prearranged ride during times of
2 darkness.

3 (cf: P.L.2017, c.26, s.23)

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5 3. (New section) The New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission
6 shall create a database that includes information about each
7 transportation network company driver that provides prearranged
8 rides in the State. The database shall include for each driver:

9 a. the driver's name;

10 b. a picture of the driver;

11 c. a picture of all personal vehicles the driver uses to provide
12 prearranged rides; and

13 d. the make, model, color, and license plate number of all
14 personal vehicles the driver uses to provide prearranged rides.

15 The commission shall update the database every three months
16 upon receipt of driver information provided by a transportation
17 network company pursuant to section 4 of P.L. , c. (C.)
18 (pending before the Legislature as this bill).

19 Information contained in the database created pursuant to this
20 section shall not be considered a government record pursuant to
21 P.L.1963, c.73 (C.47:1A-1 et seq.), P.L.2001, c.404 (C.47:1A-5 et
22 al.), or the common law concerning access to government records.
23 Nothing in this section shall be construed as limiting the
24 applicability of any other exemptions under P.L.1963,
25 c.73 (C.47:1A-1 et seq.) or P.L.2001, c.404 (C.47:1A-5 et al.).

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27 4. (New section) A transportation network company shall
28 provide to the commission, and update every three months, the
29 following information to be included in a database created by the
30 commission pursuant to section 3 of P.L. , c. (C.) (pending
31 before the Legislature as this bill):

32 a. the name of every driver that utilizes the transportation
33 network company's digital network as a driver to provide
34 prearranged rides in the State;

35 b. a picture of every driver that utilizes the transportation
36 network company's digital network as a driver to provide
37 prearranged rides in the State;

38 c. for each driver that utilizes the transportation network
39 company's digital network as a driver to provide prearranged rides
40 in the State, a picture of all personal vehicles the driver uses to
41 provide prearranged rides; and

42 d. for each driver that utilizes the transportation network
43 company's digital network as a driver to provide prearranged rides
44 in the State, the make, model, color, and license plate number of all
45 personal vehicles the driver uses to provide prearranged rides.

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47 5. This act shall take effect on the first day of the third month
48 following enactment.

STATEMENT

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3 This bill requires a transportation network company (company)
4 to provide to a transportation network company rider (rider) the
5 name of the transportation network company driver (driver) that is
6 to provide the rider's prearranged ride, a picture of the driver's
7 personal vehicle that is to be used to provide the prearranged ride,
8 and the make, model, and color of the driver's personal vehicle that
9 is to be used to provide the prearranged ride. This information is to
10 be provided to the rider before the rider enters the driver's personal
11 vehicle.

12 Under current law, a company is required to provide a rider with
13 a picture of the driver and the license plate number of the driver's
14 personal vehicle before the rider enters the driver's personal
15 vehicle.

16 Under the bill, the identifying marker that is issued to drivers and
17 which is required to be displayed on the driver's personal vehicle
18 while the driver is logged on to the company's digital network as a
19 driver or is providing a prearranged ride, is to be capable of being
20 illuminated and located on the front and rear of the vehicle. The
21 identifying marker is to be illuminated and visible from outside of
22 the vehicle while the driver is logged on to the company's digital
23 network as a driver during times of darkness or is providing a
24 prearranged ride during times of darkness.

25 The bill requires the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission
26 (MVC) to create, and update every three months, a driver database
27 that is to include certain information about drivers that provide
28 prearranged rides in New Jersey and their personal vehicles that are
29 used to provide prearranged rides. Driver information contained in
30 the database is not to be considered a government record. The bill
31 also requires a company to provide to MVC every three months
32 certain information about its drivers that provide prearranged rides
33 in New Jersey and the personal vehicles its drivers use to provide
34 prearranged rides.

35 The bill requires a driver to maintain electronic information
36 while using the company's digital network that will allow a law
37 enforcement officer or other official to confirm the color and
38 picture of the driver's personal vehicle.