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**SYNOPSIS**

Requires certain transportation services to provide notice to riders concerning operator's use of video recording devices in vehicles.

**CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT**

As introduced.



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1 AN ACT concerning notices to riders of certain transportation  
2 services and amending various parts of statutory law.

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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 the driver's personal vehicle:

12 a. a picture of the transportation network company driver that is  
13 to provide the prearranged ride and the license plate number of the  
14 driver's personal vehicle that is to be used to provide the prearranged  
15 ride **【prior to the rider entering the driver's personal vehicle】; and**

16 b. a notice that informs the rider that a video recording device  
17 may be in use in the driver's personal vehicle during the prearranged  
18 ride for the safety of the driver and rider.

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

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21 2. Section 9 of P.L.2017, c.26 (C.39:5H-9) is amended to read  
22 as follows:

23 9. Within 48 hours following completion of a prearranged ride,  
24 a transportation network company shall provide a transportation  
25 network company rider with an electronic receipt which shall  
26 include:

27 a. the points of origin and destination of the prearranged ride;

28 b. the total time and distance of the prearranged ride;

29 c. an itemization of the total fare paid, if any; **【and】**

30 d. the surcharge imposed pursuant to section 1 of P.L.2018, c.47  
31 (C.39:5H-4.1); and

32 e. a notice that informs the rider that a video recording device  
33 may have been in use during the prearranged ride while the rider was  
34 in the driver's personal vehicle for the safety of the driver and rider.

35 (cf: P.L.2018, c.47, s.2)

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37 3. Section 4 of P.L.2011, c.135 (C.48:16-2.4) is amended to read  
38 as follows:

39 4. a. The owner of an autocab shall cause to be displayed on the  
40 body of the vehicle the taxi license number issued to that vehicle.  
41 The number shall be three inches in height and located in the center  
42 of the rear quarter panels on the driver and passenger sides and the  
43 rear center line of the trunk of the vehicle. Each autocab shall display  
44 on each rear door of the autocab the name of the municipality or  
45 municipalities which has issued the autocab a taxi license in letters  
46 three inches in height.

**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       b. The owner of an autocab shall cause to be displayed on the  
2 rear driver and passenger side windows a notice that informs the  
3 passenger that a video recording device may be in use during the trip  
4 provided by the autocab operator for the safety of the operator and  
5 the passenger.

6       The notice shall be furnished by the Chief Administrator of the  
7 New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission and shall be in a form and  
8 manner prescribed by the chief administrator.

9 (cf: P.L.2011, c.135, s.4)

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11       4. Section 11 of P.L.1999, c.356 (C.48:16-22.1) is amended to  
12 read as follows:

13       11. **【No】** A limousine shall not be operated on the highways of  
14 this State unless it has a license issued pursuant to R.S.48:16-17 and  
15 the limousine is equipped, in accordance with minimum standards  
16 established by the **【Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles in the**  
17 **Department of Transportation】** Chief Administrator of the New  
18 Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, with:

19       a. a two-way communications system, which, at a minimum,  
20 shall provide for communication to a person outside the vehicle for a  
21 distance of not less than 100 miles and which requirement may be  
22 satisfied by a mobile telephone;

23       b. a removable first-aid kit and an operable fire extinguisher,  
24 which shall be placed in an accessible place within the vehicle;

25       c. sideboards attached to the permanent body construction of the  
26 vehicle if the height of the vehicle floor is 10 inches or more above  
27 ground level; and

28       d. a notice, displayed inside of the limousine, that informs the  
29 passenger that a video recording device may be in use during the trip  
30 provided by the limousine operator for the safety of the operator and  
31 the passenger.

32       The notice required pursuant to subsection d. of this section shall  
33 be furnished by the chief administrator, in a form and manner  
34 prescribed by the chief administrator.

35 (cf: P.L.1999, c.356, s.11)

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37       5. a. Sections 1 and 2 of this act shall take effect on the first  
38 day of the seventh month following enactment.

39       b. Sections 3 of this act shall take effect on the first day of the  
40 thirteenth month following enactment and shall apply to every owner  
41 of an autocab who renews the motor vehicle registration of the  
42 autocab or causes the autocab to submit to a motor vehicle inspection  
43 on or after the date of enactment.

44       c. Sections 4 of this act shall take effect on the first day of the  
45 thirteenth month following enactment and shall apply to every owner  
46 of a limousine who renews the motor vehicle registration of the  
47 limousine or causes the limousine to submit to a motor vehicle  
48 inspection on or after the date of enactment.

STATEMENT

This bill requires the owners and operators of taxis and limousines and transportation network companies (TNCs), that provide prearranged ride services, to provide a notice that informs the passenger that a video recording device may be in use during the trip for the safety of the operator and the passenger.

Under the bill, TNCs are to provide the notice to the rider on the digital network of the TNC prior to the prearranged ride and on the electronic receipt of the prearranged ride within 48 hours of the completion of the prearranged ride. An autocab operator is to display the notice on the rear driver and passenger side windows. A limousine operator is to display the notice inside of the limousine. The Chief Administrator of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission is to furnish the owners of autocabs and limousines with the notice that is required to be displayed pursuant to the bill.

The provisions of the bill concerning the notice required to be provided by TNCs is to take effect on the first day of the seventh month following enactment. The provisions of the bill concerning the notice to be provided by the operators of autocabs and limousines is to take effect on the first day of the thirteenth month following enactment and is to apply to all owners of those vehicles, who renew the motor vehicle registration or submit to a motor vehicle inspection, on or after the date of enactment.