

SENATE HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND SENIOR
CITIZENS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 1934

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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The Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee reports favorably Senate Bill No. 1934.

This bill requires the Department of Human Services to authorize any recipient of disability benefits to use those benefits to pay for transportation provided by a transportation network company. A transportation network company is any corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, or other entity that is registered as a business in the State or that operates in the State, and which uses a digital network to connect a transportation network company rider to a transportation network company driver to provide a prearranged ride. Approved transportation network companies in New Jersey currently include Uber and Lyft.

The bill also requires the Department of Human Services, working in consultation with the Department of Transportation, to develop and implement a public awareness campaign to inform the recipients of disability benefits of their transportation options under the bill.