

SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS**SB 332****2018 Regular Session****Cortez****KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE**

TRANSPORTATION/DEV DEP. Provides for Department of Transportation and Development authority to regulate transportation network companies and for publishing information on the Internet as to projects in each Department district. (7/1/18)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Removes the requirement that the department publish information regarding the daily work schedules and assignments of district employees on its website.
2. Adds provisions for regulation of transportation network companies by DOTD.
3. Adds effective date of July 1, 2018.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

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Proposed law requires each Department of Transportation and Development district office to publish weekly on its internet website information by parish regarding the construction and maintenance work being performed, including but not limited to a description and location of the construction project or maintenance work performed.

Proposed law provides for requirements for operation of transportation network companies and issuance of permits by the Department of Transportation (DOTD).

Proposed law provides for the classification of carriers operating as a transportation network and provides that a carrier company or driver is not considered a common carrier, contract carrier, or motor carrier and does not provide taxi or for hire vehicle services.

Proposed law requires persons operating a transportation network company to obtaining a permit from DOTD but if operating prior to July 1, 2018, the company may continue operating until DOTD creates a permit process and sets a registration deadline.

Requires DOTD to publish information on fare transparency and transportation network driver requirements on the DOTD website.

Proposed law provides provisions regarding the following items:

- (1) Identification of transportation network company vehicles and drivers
- (2) Require issuance of electronic receipts within a reasonable time following the completion of a prearranged ride and what is to be included in the receipt
- (3) Zero tolerance policy regarding a driver's activities which shall also address the use of drugs or alcohol while a driver is providing prearranged rides or is logged into the company's digital network but is not providing prearranged rides. Requires suspension of a driver upon receipt of a complaint of a violation of the zero tolerance policy pending a investigation.

- (4) Transportation network company driver requirements before being allowed to accept trip requests.
- (5) Prohibition against accepting a trip for compensation other than a trip arranged through a company's digital network.
- (6) Adoption of a company nondiscrimination policy with respect to riders and potential riders.
- (7) Company records to be maintained for at least three years.
- (8) Provisions for auditing companies as to compliance with law.
- (9) Imposition of local fees by ordinance adopted by local governmental subdivisions and DOTD authority to conduct audits.
- (10) Provisions that prohibit a local governmental subdivision from doing the following
 - (a) Impose any addition tax on, or require a license for, a company, a driver, or a vehicle if it relates to providing prearranged rides except as provided in proposed law.
 - (b) Requires a company or a driver to obtain a business license or any other type of similar authorization to operate within the jurisdiction.
 - (c) Subject a company, a driver, or a vehicle to any rate, entry, operation, or other requirement of the governing authority except as provided in proposed law,
- (11) Nothing prohibits an airport from charging pick-up fees for the use of the airport's facilities or designating locations for staging, pick-up, and other similar operations at the airport. Provides that an airport pick-up fee is not a local fee subject to the provisions proposed law.

Effective July 1,2018.

(Amends R.S. 45:201.6(G)(2); adds R.S. 48:94 and 2201 - 2215)

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