

2022 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 105

BY REPRESENTATIVE DUPLESSIS

TRANSPORTATION: Creates a task force to study and make policy recommendations relative to ridesharing options for persons with disabilities

1 A RESOLUTION

2 To create a task force to study and make policy recommendations relative to ridesharing
3 accommodations for persons with disabilities.

4 WHEREAS, the regulation of transportation network companies throughout the state
5 was enacted by Act No. 286 of the 2019 Regular Session of the Legislature; and

6 WHEREAS, transportation network companies are also known as ridesharing
7 companies and include services such as Uber and Lyft; and

8 WHEREAS, ridesharing services have fundamentally changed the nature of
9 transportation; and

10 WHEREAS, millions of people utilize ridesharing services for the convenience,
11 safety, and reliability of their quick response for transportation services; and

12 WHEREAS, ridesharing services for certain disabilities are limited in
13 accommodations; and

14 WHEREAS, there is a great need for persons with disabilities or special needs who
15 can also benefit from ridesharing services; and

16 WHEREAS, there is also a need to develop and implement new solutions to this
17 ongoing mobility challenge; and

18 WHEREAS, there is a need to engage collaborative efforts in creating a blueprint for
19 expanding accessibility options for persons with disabilities or special needs; and

20 WHEREAS, in order to ensure fairness and optimal mobility for the state of
21 Louisiana citizens and guests with special emphasis on persons with disabilities and special

1 needs, a task force is needed to study, discuss, and make policy recommendations relative
2 to ridesharing accommodations for person with disabilities.

3 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the
4 Legislature of Louisiana does hereby create a task force consisting of the Department of
5 Transportation and Development, the Office for Citizens with the Developmental
6 Disabilities within the Department of Health, the Civil Rights Division of the Department
7 of Justice, and the Governor's Office of Disability Affairs to work together and combine
8 their efforts to study and make policy recommendations relative to ridesharing
9 accommodations for persons with disabilities.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall seek the input, advice, and
11 recommendations of stakeholders including but not limited to the following:

- 12 (1) The Louisiana Developmental Disability Council.
- 13 (2) The Louisiana Council's Advocacy Network.
- 14 (3) The Louisiana University Center for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities -
15 Human Development Center.
- 16 (4) People First of Louisiana.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall provide a written report to
18 the speaker of the House of Representatives detailing its recommendations for any necessary
19 legislation regarding ridesharing accommodations for persons with disabilities prior to the
20 convening of the 2023 Regular Session of the Legislature of Louisiana.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the
22 secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development, the assistant secretary of
23 the Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities within the Department of Health, the
24 assistant attorney general of the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, and the
25 executive director of the Governor's Office of Disability Affairs.

DIGEST

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Creates a task force consisting of the Department of Transportation and Development, the Office for Citizens with Developmental Disabilities within the Department of Health, the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, and the Governor's Office of Disability Affairs to work together and combine their efforts to study and make policy recommendations for ridesharing accommodations for persons with disabilities. Requires the task force submit a written report to the speaker of the House prior to the convening of the 2023 R.S.