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Transportation Network Companies

Proposed Chapter 373 Ordinance Amendments (2026)



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Chapter 373: Transportation Network Companies

Transportation Network Company (TNC) means a person or entity affiliated with TNC drivers that arranges transportation services via a unique internet-based transportation application system, connecting TNC-endorsed drivers with passengers for the transport of passengers for compensation...



Purpose of the proposed Chapter 373 ordinance amendments

- Update ordinance to reflect changes since original ordinance adoption in 2014. Changes include:
 - Refining compliance and enforcement model
 - Growing number of businesses in the market



Refining compliance and enforcement model

- Random, unannounced inspections through App
 - Currently:
 - DSI reliant on TNC businesses to provide list of drivers
 - No method of determining if list includes all drivers
- Verify criminal history checks of drivers
 - Currently:
 - DSI reliant on TNC businesses for information on completed history checks and outcomes
 - No method for confirming accuracy



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Growing number of businesses in the market

- Over the last 3 years, there has been a growing number of businesses entering the market
- Businesses vary in terms of size (e.g. number of drivers)
- Businesses begin operations throughout year



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Proposed ordinance amendments

- Would result in the ability to:
 - ✓ Conduct random, unannounced inspections
 - ✓ Verify drivers' criminal history checks
 - ✓ Significantly lower license fees
(Assessing one fee vs a tiered fee models)
 - ✓ Eliminate need for February-only insurance dates

Questions



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