LIMOUSINE, TAXICAB, AND TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY ACT (EXCERPT) Act 345 of 2016

257.2102 Definitions.

Sec. 2.

As used in this act:

- (a) "Department" means the department of licensing and regulatory affairs.
- (b) "Dispatch system" means any hardware, software, mobile device, or online-enabled application used by a limousine carrier or a taxicab carrier to connect limousine drivers or taxicab drivers to potential passengers.
- (c) "Dispatch system provider" means a person operating in this state that uses any device, method, means, or arrangement, including a dispatch system, to connect potential passengers with a limousine carrier, taxicab carrier, limousine driver, or taxicab driver. Dispatch system provider does not include a limousine carrier or a taxicab carrier.
- (d) "Limousine" means a self-propelled motor vehicle used in the carrying of passengers and the baggage of the passengers for hire with a seating capacity of 8 passengers or fewer, including the driver. Limousine does not include a commercial vehicle. Limousine also does not include a vehicle operated by any of the following:
- (i) A county, city, township, or village as provided by law, or other authority incorporated under 1963 PA 55, MCL 124.351 to 124.359.
- (ii) An authority incorporated under the metropolitan transportation authorities act of 1967, 1967 PA 204, MCL 124.401 to 124.426, or that operates a transportation service pursuant to an interlocal agreement under the urban cooperation act of 1967, 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 7, MCL 124.501 to 124.512.
- (iii) Operating under a contract entered into under 1967 (Ex Sess) PA 8, MCL 124.531 to 124.536, or 1951 PA 35, MCL 124.1 to 124.13.
- (iv) An authority incorporated under the public transportation authority act, 1986 PA 196, MCL 124.451 to 124.479, or a nonprofit corporation organized under the nonprofit corporation act, 1982 PA 162, MCL 450.2101 to 450.3192, that provides transportation services.
- (v) An authority financing public improvements to transportation systems under the revenue bond act of 1933, 1933 PA 94, MCL 141.101 to 141.140.
 - (vi) A person that is only operating limousines to provide the transportation of passengers for funerals.
- (vii) An employer that is only using the vehicle, or on whose behalf the vehicle is being used, to transport its employees to and from their place of employment.
- (e) "Limousine carrier" means a person who, either directly or through any device, dispatch system, or arrangement, holds himself or herself out to the public as willing to transport passengers for hire by limousine.
- (f) "Limousine driver" means an individual who uses a limousine to provide transportation services to potential passengers.
 - (g) "Person" means an individual, sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation, association, or other legal entity.
- (h) "Personal vehicle" means a motor vehicle with a seating capacity of 8 passengers or fewer, including the driver, that is used by a transportation network company driver that satisfies both of the following:
 - (i) The vehicle is owned, leased, or otherwise authorized for use by the transportation network company driver.
 - (ii) The vehicle is not a taxicab, limousine, or commercial vehicle.
- (i) "Taxicab" means a motor vehicle with a seating capacity of 8 passengers or fewer, including the driver, that is equipped with a roof light and that carries passengers for a fee usually determined by the distance traveled. Taxicab does not include a commercial vehicle.
- (j) "Taxicab carrier" means a person who, either directly or through any device, dispatch system, or arrangement, holds himself or herself out to the public as willing to transport passengers for hire by taxicab.
- (k) "Taxicab driver" means an individual who uses a taxicab to provide transportation services to potential passengers.
- (l) "Transportation network company" means a person operating in this state that uses a digital network to connect transportation network company riders to transportation network company drivers who provide transportation network company prearranged rides. Transportation network company does not include a taxi service, transportation service arranged through a transportation broker, ridesharing arrangement, or transportation service using fixed routes at regular intervals.
- (m) "Transportation network company digital network" means an online-enabled application, website, or system offered or utilized by a transportation network company that enables the prearrangement of rides with transportation network company drivers.
 - (n) "Transportation network company driver" means an individual who satisfies all of the following:
- (i) Receives connections to potential passengers and related services from a transportation network company in exchange for payment of a fee to the transportation network company.

- (ii) Uses a personal vehicle to offer or provide transportation network company prearranged rides to transportation network company riders upon connection through a digital network controlled by a transportation network company in return for compensation or payment of a fee.
- (o) "Transportation network company prearranged ride" means the provision of transportation by a transportation network company driver to a transportation network company rider, beginning when a transportation network company driver accepts a ride requested by a transportation network company rider through a digital network controlled by a transportation network company, continuing while the transportation network company driver transports the requesting transportation network company rider, and ending when the last requesting transportation network company rider departs from the personal vehicle. Transportation network company prearranged ride does not include a shared-expense carpooling or vanpooling arrangement or transportation provided using a taxicab, limousine, or other vehicle.
- (p) "Transportation network company rider" means an individual who uses a transportation network company's digital network to connect with a transportation network company driver who provides a transportation network company prearranged ride to the transportation network company rider in the transportation network company driver's personal vehicle between points chosen by the transportation network company rider.

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