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#### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES.

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that transportation
- 2 network companies are operating across the country, including in
- 3 Hawaii, and that the public is receptive to this innovation in
- 4 transportation. Transportation network companies have expanded
- 5 transportation options for the benefit of society. They have
- 6 also inspired persons providing more traditional modes of public
- 7 transportation to modernize and enhance their delivery of
- 8 transportation services to the public.
- 9 The legislature further finds that consumers must be
- 10 afforded the protection of law when doing business with
- 11 transportation network companies. Currently, transportation
- 12 network companies are not licensed or regulated in Hawaii.
- 13 Although transportation network companies may operate under a
- 14 different business model for connecting customers with drivers,
- 15 their primary service is that of a motor carrier to transport
- 16 passengers or property for compensation. Accordingly,
- 17 transportation network companies must be subject to the same



- 1 regulations and governmental oversight applicable to other
- 2 traditional motor carriers.
- 3 The legislature further finds that ensuring the
- 4 availability and affordability of personal motor vehicle
- 5 insurance policies and assigning the insurance risk where it
- 6 belongs are of utmost importance. Because transportation
- 7 network drivers provide transportation for compensation, they
- 8 engage in commercial activity. Therefore, motor vehicles used
- 9 by transportation network drivers must be insured under
- 10 commercial motor vehicle insurance policies, at limits higher
- 11 than the statutory minimum liability limits.
- 12 The purpose of this Act is to regulate transportation
- 13 network companies and require transportation network drivers to
- 14 obtain commercial motor vehicle insurance.
- 15 SECTION 2. Section 271-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 16 amended to read as follows:
- 17 "§271-4 Definitions. As used in this chapter:
- 18 [(1) "Chapter" means the Motor Carrier Law.
- 19 (2) "Commission" means the public utilities commission.
- 20 (3) "Person" or "persons" means any individual, firm,
- 21 copartnership, corporation, company, association, or



1	joint stock association; and includes any trustee,
2	receiver, assignee, or personal representative
3	thereof.
4	(4)   "Certificate" means a certificate of public
5	convenience and necessity issued under this chapter to common
6	carriers by motor vehicle.
7	"Chapter" means the Motor Carrier Law.
8	"Commission" means the public utilities commission.
9	"Common carrier by motor vehicle" means any person,
10	including a transportation network company or a transportation
11	network driver, which holds itself out to the general public to
12	engage in the transportation by motor vehicle of passengers or
13	property or any class or classes thereof for compensation.
14	"Contract carrier by motor vehicle" means any person,
15	including a transportation network company or a transportation
16	network driver, which engages in transportation by motor vehicle
17	of passengers or property for compensation (other than
18	transportation referred to in the definition of "common carrier
19	by motor vehicle") under continuing contracts with one person or
20	a limited number of persons either: for the furnishing of
21	transportation services through the assignment of motor vehicles

1 for a continuing period of time to the exclusive use of each person served; or for the furnishing of transportation services 2 3 designed to meet the distinct need of each individual customer. 4 "Enforcement officer" means any person employed and 5 authorized by the commission to investigate any matter on behalf 6 of the commission. The term also means a motor vehicle safety 7 officer employed and assigned, pursuant to section 271-38, by 8 the department of transportation to enforce sections 271-8, 271-9 12, 271-13, 271-19, and 271-29 through the assessment of civil 10 penalties as provided in section 271-27(h), (i), and (j). 11 "Highway" means the public roads, highways, streets, and 12 ways in this State. 13 "Motor carrier" includes both a common carrier by motor 14 vehicle and a contract carrier by motor vehicle. 15 "Motor vehicle" means any vehicle, machine, tractor, 16 trailer, or semitrailer propelled or drawn by mechanical power 17 and used upon the highways in the transportation of passengers 18 or property, or any combination thereof determined by the 19 commission, but does not include any vehicle, locomotive, or car 20 operated exclusively on a rail or rails or a trolley bus 21 operated by electric power derived from a fixed overhead wire,

- 1 furnishing local passenger transportation similar to street-
- 2 railway service.
- $[\frac{(5)}{}]$  "Permit" means a permit issued under this chapter to
- 4 contract carriers by motor vehicle.
- 5 "Person" or "persons" means any individual, firm,
- 6 copartnership, corporation, company, association, or joint stock
- 7 association; and includes any trustee, receiver, assignee, or
- 8 personal representative thereof.
- 9 "Private carrier of property by motor vehicle" means any
- 10 person not included in the terms "common carrier by motor
- 11 vehicle" or "contract carrier by motor vehicle", who or which
- 12 transports by motor vehicle property of which the person is the
- 13 owner, lessee, or bailee, when such transportation is for the
- 14 purpose of sale, lease, rent, or bailment, or in the furtherance
- 15 of any commercial enterprise.
- 16 "Rates" includes rates, fares, tolls, rentals, and charges
- 17 of whatever kind and nature unless the context indicates
- 18 otherwise.
- 19 [<del>(6)</del>] "Transportation of persons" includes every service
- 20 in connection with or incidental to the safety, comfort, or

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    and delivery of these persons and their baggage.
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    property, including in particular its receipt, delivery,
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    elevation, transfer, carriage, ventilation, refrigeration,
    icing, dunnage, storage in transit, handling, and its
    consolidation for the purposes of forwarding within the State.
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2		charges of whatever kind and nature unless the context
3		indicates otherwise.
4	<del>(11)</del>	"Common carrier by motor vehicle" means any person
5		which holds itself out to the general public to engage
6		in the transportation by motor vehicle of passengers
7		or property or any class or classes thereof for
8		compensation.
9	<del>(12)</del>	"Contract carrier by motor vehicle" means any person
10		which engages in transportation by motor vehicle of
11		passengers or property for compensation (other than
12		transportation referred to in paragraph (11)) under
13		continuing contracts with one person or a limited
14		number of persons either (A) for the furnishing of
15		transportation services through the assignment of
16		motor vehicles for a continuing period of time to the
17		exclusive use of each person served, or (B) for the
18		furnishing of transportation services designed to meet
19		the distinct need of each individual customer.
20	<del>(13)</del>	"Motor carrier" includes both a common carrier by
21		motor vehicle and a contract carrier by motor vehicle.

1	(14)	"Private carrier of property by motor vehicle" means
2		any person not included in the terms "common carrier
3		by motor vehicle" or "contract carrier by motor
4		vehicle", who or which transports by motor vehicle
5		property of which the person is the owner, lessee, or
6		bailee, when such transportation is for the purpose of
7		sale, lease, rent, or bailment, or in the furtherance
8		of any commercial enterprise.
9	<del>(15)</del>	"Enforcement officer" means any person employed and
10		authorized by the commission to investigate any matter
11		on behalf of the commission. The term also means a
12		motor vehicle safety officer employed and assigned,
13		pursuant to section 271 38, by the department of
14		transportation to enforce sections 271-8, 271-12, 271-
15		13, 271-19, and 271-29 through the assessment of civil
16		penalties as provided in section 271-27(h), (i), and
17		<del>(j).</del> ]
18	<u>"Tra</u>	nsportation network company" means any person that
19	provides,	coordinates, or maintains an online-enabled
20	applicati	on or digital network used to connect customers with
21	drivers o	f motor vehicles for the purpose of providing

1	prearrang	ed transportation of persons or prearranged
2	transport	ation of property for compensation.
3	"Tra	nsportation network driver" means any person who, at
4	any time,	uses a motor vehicle in connection with a
5	transport	ation network company, and who is not regulated by the
6	counties	in accordance with section 46-16.5(c)."
7	SECT	ION 3. Section 271-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
8	amended to	o read as follows:
9	"§27	1-5 Exemptions, generally. Notwithstanding any other
10	provision	s of this chapter, its contents shall not apply to:
11	(1)	Persons transporting their own property where the
12		transportation is in furtherance of a primary business
13		purpose or enterprise of that person, except where the
14		transportation is undertaken by a motor carrier to
15		evade the regulatory purposes of this chapter;
16	(2)	Persons operating motor vehicles when engaged in the
17		transportation of school children and teachers to and
18		from school, and to and from school functions;
19		provided that these persons may engage in providing
20		transportation at special rates for groups of persons
21		belonging to an eleemosynary or benevolent

1		organization or association domiciled in this State
2		where the organization or association sponsors or is
3		conducting a nonregular excursion; provided that
4		whenever the persons engage in the transportation of
5		persons other than those exempted in this paragraph,
6		that portion of their operation shall not be exempt
7		from this chapter. Nothing in this paragraph shall be
8		construed to authorize any person to engage in the
9		transportation of persons, other than the
10		transportation of persons exempted by the terms of
11		this paragraph, without a permit or certificate issued
12		by the commission authorizing such transportation;
13	(3)	Persons operating taxicabs [or other motor vehicles
14		utilized in performing a bona fide taxicab service].
15		"Taxicab" includes:
16		(A) Any motor vehicle used in the movement of
17		passengers on the public highways under the
18		following circumstances, namely the passenger
19		hires the vehicle on call or at a fixed stand,

with or without baggage for transportation, and

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1.	controls	the	vehicle	to	the	passenger's
2	destinati	ion;				

- (B) Any motor vehicle for hire having seating accommodations for eight or fewer passengers used in the movement of passengers on the public highways that may, as part of a continuous trip, pick up or discharge passengers from various unrelated locations; provided that they shall be regulated by the counties in accordance with section 46-16.5(c); and provided further that this subparagraph shall not apply to any exclusive rights granted by the department of transportation for taxicab services at facilities under the department's control; and
- (C) Any motor vehicle having seating accommodations for eight or fewer passengers used in the movement of passengers on the public highways between a terminal, i.e., a fixed stand, in the Honolulu district, as defined in section 4-1 and a terminal in a geographical district outside the limits of the Honolulu district, and vice versa,

1		without picking up passengers other than at the
2		terminals or fixed stands; provided that the
3		passengers may be picked up by telephone call
4		from their homes in the rural area or may be
5		unloaded at any point between the fixed stands or
6		may be delivered to their homes in the rural
7		area;
8		"Taxicab" does not include a motor vehicle while being
9		operated by a transportation network driver.
10	(4)	Persons operating motor vehicles in the transportation
11		of persons pursuant to a franchise from the
12		legislature and whose operations are presently
13		regulated under chapter 269;
14	(5)	Nonprofit agricultural cooperative associations to the
15		extent that they engage in the transportation of their
16		own property or the property of their members;
17	(6)	Persons operating motor vehicles specially constructed
18		for the towing of disabled or wrecked vehicles but not
19		otherwise used in the transportation of property for
20		compensation or hire;

1	(7)	Persons operating motor vehicles in the transportation
2		of mail, newspapers, periodicals, magazines, messages,
3		documents, letters, or blueprints;
4	(8)	Persons operating funeral cars or ambulances;
5	(9)	Persons operating motor vehicles in the transportation
6		of garbage or refuse;
7	(10)	Persons operating the type of passenger carrying motor
8		vehicles known as "sampan buses" within the radius of
9		twenty miles from the city of Hilo, Hawaii;
10	(11)	Persons transporting unprocessed pineapple to a
11		cannery, seed corn to a processing facility, or
12		returning any containers used in such transportation
13		to the fields;
14	(12)	Sugar plantations transporting sugarcane, raw sugar,
15		molasses, sugar by-products, and farming supplies for
16		neighboring farmers pursuant to contracts administered
17		by the United States Department of Agriculture;
18	(13)	Persons engaged in the ranching or meat or feed
19		business who transport cattle to slaughterhouses for
20		hire where such transportation is their sole
21		transportation for hire and where their earnings from

1		the transportation constitute less than fifty per cent
2		of their gross income from their business and the
3		transportation for hire;
4	(14)	Persons transporting unprocessed raw milk to
5		processing plants and returning any containers used in
6		such transportation to dairy farms for reloading;
7	(15)	Persons transporting animal feeds to animal husbandry
8		farmers and farming supplies directly to animal
9		husbandry farmers and returning any containers used in
10		such transportation to these sources of such feeds and
11		supplies for reloading;
12	(16)	Persons engaged in transporting not more than fifteen
13		passengers between their places of abode, or termini
14		near such places, and their places of employment in a
15		single daily round trip where the driver is also on
16		the driver's way to or from the driver's place of
17		employment[+], but not including transportation
18		network drivers;
19	(17)	Persons transporting passengers without charge in
20		motor vehicles owned or operated by such person, where
21		such transportation is provided in conjunction with



1		and in furtherance of a related primary business
2		purpose or enterprise of that person, and such
3		transportation is provided only directly to and from
4		the place of business of such person, except that this
5		exemption shall not apply to persons making any
6	· .	contract, agreement, or arrangement to provide,
7		procure, furnish, or arrange for transportation as a
8	,	travel agent or broker or a person engaged in tour or
9		sightseeing activities, nor shall this exemption apply
10		where the transportation is undertaken by a person to
11		evade the regulatory purposes of this chapter; and
12	(18)	Persons conducting the type of county-regulated
13		passenger carrying operation known as "jitney
14		services". For the purposes of this paragraph,
15		"jitney services" means public transportation services
16		utilizing motor vehicles that have seating
17		accommodations for six to twenty-five passengers,
18		operate along specific routes during defined service
19		hours, and levy a flat fare schedule."
20	SECT	ION 4. Section 271-17, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
21	amended to	o read as follows:

1 "§271-17 Security for protection of public. 2 certificate or permit shall be issued to a motor carrier or 3 remain in force unless such carrier complies with such reasonable rules and regulations as the public utilities 4 5 commission shall prescribe governing the filing and approval of 6 surety bonds, policies of insurance, qualifications as a self-7 insurer, or other securities or agreements, in amounts required 8 by section 431:10C-301(b) or in such [reasonable] greater 9 amounts as the commission may require, [conditioned to pay 10 within the amount of the surety agreements moneys finally 11 recovered against the motor carrier] for bodily injuries to or the death of any person resulting from the negligent operation, 12 13 maintenance, or use of motor vehicles under the certificate, or permit or for loss or damage to property of others. 14 15 commission may, in its discretion and under such rules and 16 regulations as it shall prescribe, require any such carrier to 17 file a surety bond, policies of insurance, qualifications as a 18 self-insurer, or other securities or agreements in a sum to be 19 determined by the commission to be conditioned upon the carrier 20 making compensation to shippers or consignees for all property 21 belonging to shippers or consignees, and coming into the

- 1 possession of such carrier in connection with its transportation
- 2 service. Any common carrier which may be required by law to
- 3 compensate a shipper or consignee for any loss, damage, or
- 4 default for which a connecting motor common carrier is legally
- 5 responsible shall be subrogated to the rights of such shipper or
- 6 consignee under any such bond, policies of insurance, or other
- 7 securities or agreements, to the extent of the sum so paid."
- 8 SECTION 5. Section 271-29, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 9 amended to read as follows:
- 10 "§271-29 Identification of carriers. (a) The public
- 11 utilities commission is authorized, under such rules and
- 12 regulations as it shall prescribe, to require the display of
- 13 suitable identification number or numbers, upon any motor
- 14 vehicle used in transportation subject to this chapter, and to
- 15 provide for the issuance of numbers. Any substitution,
- 16 transfer, or use of any identification number or numbers, except
- 17 such as may be duly authorized by the commission, is prohibited
- 18 and shall be unlawful.
- (b) Any motor vehicle being operated by a transportation
- 20 network driver shall display the name or other mark of the

1	cransport	action network company in a conspicuous place on the
2	motor veh	nicle at all times."
3	SECT	TION 6. Section 431:10C-301, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
4	is amende	ed to read as follows:
5	"§43	1:10C-301 Required motor vehicle policy coverage. (a)
6	An insura	nce policy covering a motor vehicle shall provide:
7	(1)	Coverage specified in section 431:10C-304; and
8	(2)	Insurance to pay on behalf of the owner or any
9		operator of the insured motor vehicle using the motor
10		vehicle with a reasonable belief that the person is
11		entitled to operate the motor vehicle, sums which the
12		owner or operator may legally be obligated to pay for
13		injury, death, or damage to property of others, except
14		property owned by, being transported by, or in the
15		charge of the insured, which arise out of the
16		ownership, operation, maintenance, or use of the motor
17		vehicle; provided that in the case of a U-drive motor
18		vehicle, insurance to pay on behalf of the renter or

any operator of the insured motor vehicle using the

renter or lessee, sums which the renter or operator

motor vehicle with the express permission of the

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	may be legally obligated to pay for damage or
	destruction of property of others (except property
	owned by, being transported by, or in the charge of
	the renter or operator) arising out of the operation
	or use of the motor vehicle unless the motor vehicle
	is reported stolen by the owner within three days of
	notification of the incident; provided that the
	insurer and owner of a U-drive vehicle shall have the
	right of subrogation against the renter and operator
	for breach of the rental contract between owner and
	renter; and provided further that, in the event that
	any motor vehicle offered for rental or lease is
	involved in an accident, the lessor shall provide all
	information it has or obtains relevant to the accident
	to all other involved parties upon their request,
	including but not limited to information about the
	lessee, and the driver of the vehicle if other than
	the lessee.
(b)	A motor vehicle insurance policy shall include:

(1) Liability coverage of not less than \$20,000 perperson, with an aggregate limit of \$40,000 per

1		accident, for all damages arising out of accidental
2		harm sustained as a result of any one accident and
3		arising out of ownership, maintenance, use, loading,
4		or unloading of a motor vehicle; provided that, in the
5		case of any taxicab or motor carrier, as defined in
6		chapter 271, liability coverage under a commercial
7		motor vehicle insurance policy of not less than
8		\$100,000 per person, with an aggregate limit of
9		\$200,000 per accident, for all damages arising out of
10		accidental harm sustained as a result of any one
11		accident and arising out of ownership, maintenance,
12		use, loading, or unloading of a motor vehicle;
13	(2)	Liability coverage of not less than \$10,000 for all
14		damages arising out of damage to or destruction of
15		property including motor vehicles and including the
16		loss of use thereof, but not including property owned
17		by, being transported by, or in the charge of the
18		insured, as a result of any one accident arising out
19		of ownership, maintenance, use, loading, or unloading,
20		of the insured vehicle; provided that, in the case of
21		any taxicab or motor carrier, as defined in chapter

1		2/1, Ilability coverage under a commercial motor
2	•	vehicle insurance policy of not less than \$50,000 for
3		all damages arising out of damage to or destruction of
4		property including motor vehicles and including the
5		loss of use thereof, and including property being
6		transported by or in the charge of the insured, as a
7		result of any one accident arising out of ownership,
8		maintenance, use, loading, or unloading, of the
9		insured vehicle;
10	(3)	With respect to any motor vehicle registered or
11		principally garaged in this State, liability coverage
12		provided therein or supplemental thereto, in limits
13	•	for bodily injury or death set forth in paragraph (1),
14		under provisions filed with and approved by the
15		commissioner, for the protection of persons insured
16		thereunder who are legally entitled to recover damages
17		from owners or operators of uninsured motor vehicles
18		because of bodily injury, sickness, or disease,
19		including death, resulting therefrom; provided that
20		the coverage required under this paragraph shall not

1		be a	applicable where any named insured in the policy
2		shal	l reject the coverage in writing; and
3	(4)	Cove	erage for loss resulting from bodily injury or
4		deat	th suffered by any person legally entitled to
5		reco	over damages from owners or operators of
6		unde	erinsured motor vehicles. An insurer may offer the
7		unde	erinsured motorist coverage required by this
8		para	graph in the same manner as uninsured motorist
9		cove	erage; provided that the offer of both shall:
10		(A)	Be conspicuously displayed so as to be readily
11			noticeable by the insured;
12		(B)	Set forth the premium for the coverage adjacent
13			to the offer in a manner that the premium is
14			clearly identifiable with the offer and may be
15			easily subtracted from the total premium to
16			determine the premium payment due in the event
17			the insured elects not to purchase the option;
18			and
19		(C)	Provide for written rejection of the coverage by
20			requiring the insured to affix the insured's

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1	signature in a location adjacent to or directly
2	below the offer.
3	(c) The stacking or aggregating of uninsured motorist
4	coverage or underinsured motorist coverage is prohibited, except
5	as provided in subsection (d).
6	(d) An insurer shall offer the insured the opportunity to
7	purchase uninsured motorist coverage and underinsured motorist
8	coverage by offering the following options with each motor
9	vehicle insurance policy:
10	(1) The option to stack uninsured motorist coverage and
11	underinsured motorist coverage; and
12	(2) The option to select uninsured motorist coverage and
13	underinsured motorist coverage, whichever is
14	applicable, up to but not greater than the bodily
15	injury liability coverage limits in the insured's
16	policy.
17	These offers are to be made when a motor vehicle insurance
18	policy is first applied for or issued. For any existing
19	policies, an insurer shall offer such coverage at the first
20	renewal after January 1, 1993. Once an insured has been
21	provided the opportunity to purchase or reject the coverages in

1	writing w	under the options, no further offer is required to be
2	included	with any renewal or replacement policy issued to the
3	insured.	
4	(e)	If uninsured motorist coverage or underinsured
5	motorist	coverage is rejected, pursuant to section 431:10C-
6	301(b):	
7	(1)	The offers required by section 431:10C-301(d) are not
8		required to be made;
9	(2)	No further offers or notice of the availability of
10		uninsured motorist coverage and underinsured motorist
11		coverage are required to be made in connection with
12		any renewal or replacement policy; and
13	(3)	The written rejections required by section 431:10C-
14		301(b) shall be presumptive evidence of the insured's
15		decision to reject the options.
16	<u>(f)</u>	A personal motor vehicle insurance policy issued or
17	renewed a	after July 1, 2015, shall not include coverage of any
18	kind unde	er this article for a taxicab or a motor vehicle used by
19	a motor o	carrier, as defined in chapter 271, or their owners or

operators."

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- 1 SECTION 7. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 2 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 3 begun before its effective date.
- 4 SECTION 8. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 6 SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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#### Report Title:

Transportation Network Companies; Common Carriers; Motor Carriers; Motor Vehicle Insurance

#### Description:

Regulates transportation network companies under the motor carrier law. Requires transportation network drivers to carry certain levels of commercial motor vehicle insurance. Prohibits personal motor vehicle insurance policies issued or renewed after July 1, 2015, from including coverage for taxicabs or motor vehicles used by motor carriers.

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