# HOUSE BILL 861

By: Delegate Stewart Introduced and read first time: January 30, 2025 Assigned to: Economic Matters

# A BILL ENTITLED

#### 1 AN ACT concerning

#### $\mathbf{2}$ **Transportation Network Companies – Itemized Receipts and Operator Data** 3 Reporting

- 4 FOR the purpose of requiring a transportation network company to provide an operator  $\mathbf{5}$ and a passenger an itemized digital receipt that contains certain information as soon 6 as practicable after the operator provides transportation network services to the 7 passenger; requiring a transportation network company to report, on or before a 8 certain date each year, certain information to the Public Service Commission; and 9 generally relating to transportation network companies.
- 10 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
- Article Public Utilities 11
- 12 Section 10–101(a), (l), (m), and (n) and 10–401(a) and (c)
- Annotated Code of Maryland 13
- (2020 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement) 14
- 15BY adding to
- 16 Article – Public Utilities
- Section 10-403.2 and 10-409 17
- 18 Annotated Code of Maryland
- (2020 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement) 19

### 20SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,

- 21That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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## Article – Public Utilities

- 2310 - 101.
- 24In this title the following words have the meanings indicated. (a)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1 (l) "Transportation network company" means a company that operates in the 2 State using a digital network to connect passengers to transportation network operators or 3 transportation network partners for transportation network services.

4 (m) "Transportation network operator", "transportation network partner", or 5 "transportation network driver" means an individual who:

6 (1) has been issued a transportation network operator's license, or is 7 otherwise authorized, by the Commission to provide transportation network services;

8 (2) receives, through a transportation network company's digital network 9 application, a connection to a potential passenger to transport the passenger between 10 points chosen by the passenger in exchange for the payment of a fee to the transportation 11 network company; and

(3) uses a motor vehicle that is owned, leased, or otherwise authorized for
use by the individual and is approved for use in providing transportation network services
by the Commission.

15 (n) (1) "Transportation network services" means the activities of an operator 16 during:

(i) transportation network coverage period one, during which the
operator is logged onto and ready to accept a prearranged ride request made through a
transportation network company's digital network application;

20 (ii) transportation network coverage period two, during which the 21 operator accepts a ride request from a passenger that is prearranged through a 22 transportation network company's digital network application, and is traveling to a 23 predetermined location to pick up the passenger; and

(iii) transportation network coverage period three, during which the
 operator transports the passenger and continuing until the passenger departs the motor
 vehicle.

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(2)

"Transportation network services" does not include:

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(i) providing taxicab services, sedan services, or limousine services;

(ii) any shared expense carpool arrangement or service or other type
 of arrangement or service in which a driver receives a fee that does not exceed the driver's
 costs associated with providing a ride; or

32 (iii) transportation services that a nonprofit organization provides 33 through the use of a volunteer driver and the volunteer driver's personal vehicle.

34 10-401.

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(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

2 (c) "Operator" means a transportation network operator, transportation network 3 partner, or transportation network driver.

4 **10–403.2.** 

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5 (A) AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE AFTER AN OPERATOR PROVIDES 6 TRANSPORTATION NETWORK SERVICES TO A PASSENGER, A TRANSPORTATION 7 NETWORK COMPANY SHALL PROVIDE THE OPERATOR AND PASSENGER ACCESS TO 8 AN ITEMIZED DIGITAL RECEIPT THAT INCLUDES:

9 (1) THE AMOUNT THAT THE PASSENGER PAID FOR THE 10 TRANSPORTATION NETWORK SERVICES;

11 (2) THE AMOUNT THAT THE OPERATOR WILL RECEIVE FROM THE 12 AMOUNT PAID UNDER ITEM (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION; AND

13(3) THE FINAL AMOUNT OF ANY ADDITIONAL FEES THAT ARE14CHARGED TO THE PASSENGER BY THE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY.

15 **(B)** THE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY SHALL MAKE THE RECEIPT 16 REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION AVAILABLE TO THE OPERATOR 17 ON THE COMPANY'S DIGITAL NETWORK APPLICATION.

18 **10–409.** 

19 (A) (1) ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 1 EACH YEAR, A TRANSPORTATION 20 NETWORK COMPANY SHALL REPORT TO THE COMMISSION THE FOLLOWING 21 INFORMATION FOR THE PRIOR YEAR:

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(I) THE TOTAL NUMBER OF OPERATORS THAT:

231. WERE AUTHORIZED TO TRANSPORT PASSENGERS24USING THE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY'S DIGITAL NETWORK25APPLICATION;

26 **2.** PROVIDED TRANSPORTATION NETWORK SERVICES 27 FOR THE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY ON A FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME 28 BASIS; AND

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13. PROVIDED MORE THAN 40 HOURS OF2TRANSPORTATION NETWORK SERVICES FOR THE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK3COMPANY EACH WEEK;

4 (II) THE MEDIAN AMOUNT PAID TO THE TRANSPORTATION 5 NETWORK COMPANY'S OPERATORS; AND

6 (III) DEMOGRAPHIC DATA FOR THE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK 7 COMPANY'S OPERATORS, INCLUDING DEMOGRAPHIC DATA FOR OPERATORS WHO 8 HAVE BEEN PERMANENTLY DEACTIVATED BY THE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK 9 COMPANY.

10 (2) THE COMMISSION SHALL DETERMINE THE FORM AND CONTENT 11 OF THE DEMOGRAPHIC DATA REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1)(III) OF THIS 12 SUBSECTION.

(B) ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1 EACH YEAR, THE COMMISSION SHALL
COMPILE THE INFORMATION PROVIDED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION
AND REPORT THE INFORMATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND,
IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2–1257 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, THE
SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE AND THE HOUSE ENVIRONMENT AND
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 20 October 1, 2025.

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