

**Testimony on HB 1275  
Transportation Funding Act of 2024  
House Environment and Transportation Committee**

**Date: March 1, 2024**

**Position: SUPPORT**

The Coalition for Smarter Growth (CSG) supports HB1275. Our organization advocates for walkable, bikeable, inclusive, and transit-oriented communities as the most sustainable and equitable way for the Washington, DC region to grow and provide opportunities for all.

Ride hailing and package delivery are important services in our urban and suburban transportation networks. However, we also know that these disproportionately impact our networks, with loading/unloading activities that block curb and travel lanes and idling and air pollution impacts to adjacent uses. The extensive circulation of TNC vehicles in between passenger pickups (on average more than regulated taxis) in urban areas has been shown to increase localized congestion. We believe that assessing additional but reasonable fees on these uses to help support the maintenance of and improvements to the transportation system is an appropriate user fee.

We ask for a favorable report for HB1275 by the committee. Thank you.

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