



## Legislation Text

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### TAXI CAB SERVICE MISCELLANEOUS REGULATIONS (B)

Ordinance No. 100941

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending section 28-12 of the City of Gainesville Code of Ordinances, relating to Miscellaneous Regulations, by updating and revising the list of protected classes for which discrimination is prohibited; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date in accordance with the schedule provided herein.

The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.

The City Commission at its meeting of April 7, 2011 directed the City Attorney to draft an ordinance amending Chapter 28 of the Code of Ordinances.

Issues related to taxicab costs and related issues were referred by the City Commission to the Public Safety Committee on December 3, 2009. Meetings addressing these issues in the Public Safety Committee were held, with the last meeting on this issue being February 14, 2011. At that meeting, after hearing input from the Gainesville Police Department, concerned citizens, and representatives of the taxi industry, the Public Safety Committee approved unanimously to send this referral back to the full City Commission. Discussions included the fact that the anti-discrimination clause listing classes who may not be discriminated against in providing taxi service contained in Gainesville Code Section 28-12(e) was not consistent with the language utilized in the anti-discrimination clauses utilized in Gainesville Code sections 8-19(a) and 8-48(b).

At the City Commission hearing on April 7, 2011, the City Commission approved the public safety committee's recommendation that authorizes this office to prepare and the clerk to advertise an ordinance revising the Code to reflect the amendments as set forth in the item.

The attached ordinance addresses the requirement for miscellaneous regulations bringing the description of the categories of persons against whom discrimination is prohibited into accord with that used elsewhere in the Gainesville Code.