



Legislation Text

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VEHICLES FOR HIRE - REPEAL OF REGULATIONS FOR TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES (B)

Ordinance No. 170066

An ordinance of the City of Gainesville, Florida, amending the Code of Ordinances relating to vehicles for hire; by amending Sections 28-1, 28-8 and 28-9 to remove provisions regulating transportation network companies; providing directions to the codifier; providing a severability clause; providing a repealing clause; and providing a retroactive effective date.

The Florida Legislature in this past session enacted CS/HB 221, effective July 1, 2017, (now Chapter 2017-12, Laws of Florida) which, among other things, preempts to the State the regulation (including without limitation, imposing a tax, requiring a license and imposing operating requirements) of transportation network companies (TNC). TNC is defined in the new State law as ".. an entity operating in this state pursuant to this section using a digital network to connect a rider to a TNC driver, who provides prearranged rides. A TNC is not deemed to own, control, operate, direct, or manage the TNC vehicles or TNC drivers that connect to its digital network, except where agreed to by written contract, and is not a taxi cab association or for-hire vehicle owner." This proposed ordinance brings the City Code into compliance with the newly enacted state law effective on July 1, 2017.

This ordinance requires two hearings. The first reading is scheduled for June 15, 2017 and second reading is scheduled for July 6, 2017. This Ordinance has a retroactive effective date of July 1, 2017.

The City Commission adopt the proposed ordinance.