

## Session 121 - (2015-2016)

### S 0409 General Bill, By Bryant and Grooms

#### *Similar (H 3413)*

#### **Summary:** SC Transportation Companies Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, SO AS TO ENACT THE "SOUTH CAROLINA TRANSPORTATION COMPANIES ACT" BY ADDING ARTICLE 19 TO CHAPTER 23, TITLE 58 SO AS TO PROVIDE A CITATION; TO DEFINE NECESSARY TERMS; TO PROVIDE EXCLUSIONS; TO EXCLUDE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES AND TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY DRIVERS FROM REGULATION AS MOTOR VEHICLE CARRIERS BY THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OR THE OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF, TO SPECIFY THE SCOPE AND NATURE OF THEIR SERVICES, AND TO PROVIDE THAT TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES ARE NOT CONSIDERED OWNERS, OPERATORS, OR MANAGERS OF VEHICLES USED BY THEIR DRIVERS; TO PROVIDE A PERSON SHALL NOT OPERATE A TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY WITHOUT FIRST HAVING OBTAINED A PERMIT FROM THE OFFICE OF REGULATORY STAFF, TO PROVIDE THAT THE OFFICE SHALL ISSUE SUCH PERMITS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND TO PROVIDE THAT TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES OPERATING ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT MAY CONTINUE TO OPERATE FOR SIXTY DAYS WHILE OBTAINING A PERMIT; TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS OF TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES TO OBTAIN A PERMIT; TO PROVIDE THAT TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES MAY DETERMINE AND CHARGE A FARE FOR ITS SERVICES BUT MUST DISCLOSE ITS FARE CALCULATION METHOD AND PROVIDE FARE ESTIMATES IN A CERTAIN MANNER; TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES SHALL DISPLAY PICTURES OF ITS DRIVERS AND VEHICLE LICENSE PLATES TO PROSPECTIVE PASSENGERS IN A CERTAIN MANNER; TO PROVIDE THAT TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES SHALL TIMELY TRANSMIT ELECTRONIC RECEIPTS INCLUDING SPECIFIC INFORMATION TO PASSENGERS; TO PROVIDE CERTAIN INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES AND TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY DRIVERS AND ON INSURERS OF TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES AND TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY DRIVERS; TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES SHALL ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT CERTAIN ZERO TOLERANCE POLICIES CONCERNING ALCOHOL AND DRUG USE BY TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY DRIVERS; TO PROVIDE REQUIREMENTS THAT TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES MUST MEET BEFORE PERMITTING AN INDIVIDUAL TO OPERATE AS A TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY DRIVER, AND TO SPECIFY BASES FOR DENYING A PERMIT; TO PROVIDE THAT TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY DRIVERS MAY ONLY ACCEPT RIDES BOOKED THROUGH THE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY AND MAY NOT SOLICIT OR ACCEPT STREET HAILS; TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES SHALL ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT CERTAIN POLICIES PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION AND SHALL COMPLY WITH ALL APPLICABLE NONDISCRIMINATION LAWS, AND TO IMPOSE CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE TREATMENT OF PASSENGERS REQUESTING OR NEEDING WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE VEHICLES; TO IMPOSE CERTAIN RECORDKEEPING AND PASSENGER INFORMATION PRIVACY REQUIREMENTS ON TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXCLUSIVE GOVERNANCE OF TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES AND TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY DRIVERS BY THIS ACT.

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