

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, any official position of the City of Los Angeles with respect to legislation, rules, regulations or policies proposed to or pending before a local, state, or federal governmental body or agency must have first been adopted in the form of a Resolution by the City Council with the concurrence of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, existing regulations of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) require a transportation network company (TNC), such as Lyft and Uber, to allow passengers to indicate whether they require a vehicle accessible to individuals with disabilities and submit a report detailing the number and percentage of their customers who requested accessible vehicles and how often the transportation network company was able to comply with requests for accessible vehicles; and

WHEREAS, in 2014 the CPUC declared it would address access to TNCs by persons with disabilities, but no regulations have been forthcoming; and

WHEREAS, on February 16, 2018, Senator Hill introduced SB 1376 that, as amended, would require the CPUC, by July 1, 2019, to develop regulations to ensure that persons with disabilities are provided full and equal access to TNCs, consider assessing a fee on TNCs to fund on-demand accessible transportation services for persons with disabilities, and conduct workshops with stakeholders in order to determine community need and develop programs for on-demand services, service alternatives, and partnerships; and

WHEREAS, SB 1376 states that given the rapidly evolving transportation network company service, it is the intent of the Legislature to continue ongoing oversight of the CPUC's regulation of these services as they evolve;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that with the concurrence of the Mayor, that by the adoption of this Resolution, the City of Los Angeles hereby includes in its 2017-18 State Legislative Program SUPPORT for SB 1376 that would require new state regulations to ensure persons with disabilities are provided full and equal access to transportation network companies.

PRESENTED BY:


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