

HB 130 -- TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES

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This bill outlines the new regulatory treatment of transportation network companies (TNCs).

The bill further provides that, beginning August 28, 2017, a TNC will apply for an annual permit from the Department of Revenue to do business within the State of Missouri, and maintain the insurance coverage requirements provided. Criteria for fare charges and customer receipts are specified in the bill.

The bill specifies what information and display a TNC shall display on its software application or website and vehicles.

A TNC will be required to conduct a local and national criminal background check for each applicant to act as a driver. Drivers shall be independent contractors and not employees of the transportation network company if specific conditions are met. TNCs shall also adopt a nondiscrimination policy with respect to riders. All vehicles used to provide prearranged rides must meet inspection requirements.

A municipality or other local or state entity cannot impose a tax on or require a license relating to providing prearranged rides for a TNC or its drivers or vehicles. This exemption does not apply to earnings taxes.