

February 23, 2023

The Honorable Dina Neal Room 2121 Legislative Building Carson City, NV 89701

Re: OPPOSE - SB 125 (Neal) - Relating to Transportation Network Companies

Dear Chair Neal and Members of the Senate Revenue and Economic Development Committee,

Chamber of Progress, a tech industry coalition promoting technology's progressive future, writes in opposition to SB 125, which eliminates the exemption of a transportation network company (TNC) from the duties of a common motor carrier and imposes vicarious liability on a TNC for the acts and omissions of a driver or monitored autonomous vehicle (AV) provider.

Chamber of Progress supports public policies at the federal and state level that seek to build a fairer, more inclusive country in which all Americans benefit from technological leaps.

Designating TNCs as common carriers would undo a critical element of the uniform statewide framework that governs the rideshare industry in Nevada and has been working well for communities across the state. Rideshare has become indispensable by providing earning options and transportation to tens of thousands of people in Nevada. Rideshare drivers in the state are afforded access to extra income while simultaneously helping communities access essential services. If this new bill is put into place, which adds additional rules on TNCs, it would result in increased costs for consumers which is unnecessary.

Additionally, imposing vicarious liability on TNCs for the acts and omissions of a driver or monitored AV provider doesn't benefit customers. Enacting SB 125 is

likely to benefit trial lawyers while substantially increasing costs for TNCs and AVs and ultimately consumers who rely on the service TNCs provide.

For these reasons, we must respectfully oppose SB 125 and urge a NO vote.

Respectfully,

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