

A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend, on an emergency basis, the Department of For-Hire Vehicles Establishment Act of 1985 to authorize the Department of For-Hire Vehicles to enforce traffic laws against carrier-for-hire vehicles.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Department of For Hire Vehicles Delivery Vehicle Traffic Enforcement Expansion Emergency Amendment Act of 2022”.

Sec. 2. The Department of For-Hire Vehicles Establishment Act of 1985, effective March 25, 1986 (D.C. Law 6-97; D.C. Official Code § 50-301.01 *et seq.*), is amended as follows:

(a) Section 4 (D.C. Official Code § 50-301.03) is amended as follows:

(1) A new paragraph (3A) is added to read as follows:

“(3A) “Carrier-for-hire” means a class of transportation service by which a network of private operators, couriers, or carriers provide transportation of parcels or food and beverages in the District for compensation.”.

(2) Paragraph (30B) is amended by striking the phrase “public and private vehicle-for-hire” and inserting the phrase “public and private vehicle-for-hire and carrier-for-hire vehicles” in its place.

36 (b) Section 8(b-1) (D.C. Official Code § 50-301.07(b-1)) is amended as follows:

37 (1) The existing language is redesignated as paragraph (1).

38 (2) A new paragraph (2) is added to read as follows:

39 “(2) The vehicle inspection officers described in subsection (b-1) of this section
40 may make traffic stops of a carrier-for-hire vehicle, pursuant to the protocol prescribed by
41 the DFHV.”.

42 (c) Section 20k(a) (D.C. Official Code § 50-301.30(a)) is amended by striking the
43 phrase “inspection officers shall be prohibited from making traffic stops of on-duty private
44 or public vehicles-for-hire in the act of transporting a fare, unless there is reasonable
45 suspicion of a violation” and inserting the phrase “inspection officers shall be prohibited
46 from making traffic stops of on-duty private or public vehicles-for-hire in the act of
47 transporting a fare, or a carrier-for-hire in the act of transporting a parcel, food, or
48 beverage, unless there is reasonable suspicion of a violation” in its place.

49 Sec. 3. Fiscal impact statement.

50 The Council adopts the fiscal impact statement of the Budget Director as the fiscal
51 impact statement required by section 4a of the General Legislative Procedures Act of 1975,
52 approved October 16, 2006 (120 Stat. 2038; D.C. Official Code § 1-301.47a).

53 Sec. 4. Effective date.

54 This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by
55 the Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto), and shall remain in effect for no
56 longer than 90 days, as provided for emergency acts of the Council of the District of
57 Columbia in section 412(a) of the District of Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December
58 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788; D.C. Official Code § 1-204.12(a)).