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To: House Committee on Business and Labor, and House Leadership

From: MADD Oregon

RE: Position Statement on HB 3023: Moving Oregon Forward Safely

Chair Jeff Barker and members of the Committee on Business and Labor, Speaker Kotek, and Majority Leader Williamson:

At Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) of Oregon, it is our mission to end drunk driving, help fight drugged driving, support the victims of these violent crimes, and prevent underage drinking. MADD supports ridesharing as a way to reduce drunk driving and our data backs this up.

- 78% people agree that their friends are less likely to drive drunk with options like rideshare.
- 93% recommend their friends take rideshare instead of driving if they'd been drinking alcohol.
- 7% decrease, roughly of drunk driving in cities with rideshare options.¹

MADD of Oregon supports HB 3023 which will create statewide standards for rideshare companies, drivers, and vehicles in Oregon. The bill sets standards for driver background checks, vehicle safety, and insurance. We support HB 3023 because establishing statewide safety standards, consistent with those already in place in the Portland-metro area, gives riders and transportation operators the assurance of consistency and creates more opportunity for drivers throughout Oregon.

MADD of Oregon respectfully requests the committee support HB 3023 and commends Chair Barker and the committee for giving this legislation due consideration in service to your constituencies and Oregonians across the state. This bill is critical to creating safety and sustainability for our rideshare community, and expands options for people to get around safely.

Sincerely,

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¹ <https://www.madd.org/the-solution/drunken-driving/rideshare/>