



May 13, 2019

The Honorable Nancy Nathanson  
House Committee on Revenue  
900 Court Street NE  
Salem OR 97301

**RE: Support HB 3023 - Relating to transportation network companies.**

Dear Chair Nathanson and Members of the Committee:

Internet Association appreciates the opportunity to voice our **SUPPORT** for **HB 3023**, related to the regulation of transportation network companies (TNCs) in Oregon.

Internet Association (IA) represents more than 40 of the world's leading internet companies and advances public policy solutions that foster innovation, promote economic growth, and empower people through the free and open internet.

IA supports HB 3023, which will create reasonable statewide standards for rideshare companies, drivers, and vehicles in Oregon. The bill sets standards for driver background checks, vehicle safety, and insurance.

Along with infrastructure and transit improvements, innovation and technology are improving the safety, efficiency, and sustainability of Oregon's transportation system. Expanding transportation options to more Oregonians by establishing statewide rideshare standards will help communities and economies thrive across the state.

The provisions proposed in HB 3023 are aligned with other statewide licensing laws adopted in other states around the country. Statewide licensing laws have allowed for consistent regulation and enforcement of TNCs, which results in better rider and driver experiences and more regulatory efficiencies across jurisdictions.

As the committee with jurisdiction over ensuring funding can cover the cost of administering programs, HB 3023 provides for full cost recovery for Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT). ODOT will play a key role in ensuring TNC drivers are properly licensed, TNCs are complying with all laws, such as wheelchair accessible vehicle (WAV) programs, as well as administering the electric vehicle infrastructure fund. Providing full cost recovery will be important to continue to ensure the safety for both passengers, drivers and the state.



IA believes providing a consistent statewide licensing regime will enable all Oregonians to access improved transportation options so they can benefit from whichever mode fits their needs. Therefore, HB 3023 will provide more equity and more safe options for all Oregon residents.

For these reasons and more, IA respectfully requests the Committee's **SUPPORT** for **HB 3023**. Should you have any questions, please contact me at [rose@internetassociation.org](mailto:rose@internetassociation.org) or 206-326-0712.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rose Feliciano', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Rose Feliciano  
Director, Northwest Region, State Government Affairs