

Submitter: Robert Lopeman  
On Behalf Of:  
Committee: Senate Committee On Rules  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB1166  
Attn: Rules Committee  
Re: SB 1166

Chair Jama, Vice-Chair Bonham, and members of the committee--

Drivers deserve deactivation protections, fair pay, and benefits for many reasons.

Drivers over time have seen no pay raises over the years, given inflation and the rideshare apps' constant price increases. Uber x shouldn't pay so little it's hardly more than the IRS deduction per mile.

I know many drivers, myself included, have felt pressured to buy more expensive "comfort" and "premier" eligible vehicles, just for better pay. When making such investments we have no idea how long they will qualify or what parameters the platforms truly have (for example: how much leg room, cargo space, and what brands qualify for premier instead of an ever changing list).

Drivers should be able to confidently make these decisions to run a business that most people have grown to rely on, or want to rely on, without the worry of wrongful deactivation or buying a car that loses class eligibility without warning.

Please pass SB 1166.

Thank you,

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