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My name is Matthew S. I reside in 97034.

I am writing to OPPOSE HB 3023 as an Uber and Lyft driver with over 5,000 rides under my belt and high ratings in both platforms.

While I applaud the desire to expand rideshare access, it is critical that local oversight of rideshare be maintained and preserved.

This isn't just a safety issue (thought it must certainly is), this has to do with how drivers are treated, compensated, and classified by the rideshare companies, and also with the future of the platform as it tries to compete with and, if you look at their business plans and public statements, erode and supplant mass transit.

Let me be frank: Rideshare is a misnomer, these are ride hailing/taxi companies. The myth that you're picking someone up on the way to where you're going is a myth. I, and 99% of my fellow drivers are acting as taxi drivers for hire, plain and simple. And those, like myself, who drive full-time, need more direct and locally representative access to redress any concerns we have with our employers (who go to great lengths to litigate and legislate against being classified as such).

This bill would set a terrible framework where lobbyists would have all the ability to access government, and both riders and drivers would have limited access at best.

I urge the committee to OPPOSE the passage of this bill. Keep oversight and regulation at the city level.

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