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To: [LRO](#)
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Dear Committee Chair Nathanson and committee members,

My name is Christa von Behren, and I am dependent on public transit and my bicycle for transportation. Though I work 60 hours per week at 2 jobs, I am unable to afford my own vehicle, or to take Lyft or Uber. For working-class, transit-dependent people like me, TNCs offer no benefits, but the increased traffic that has now been well-documented from their operation affects transit schedules, negatively impacting transit riders. HB 3023 and -14 amendments will mean that cities with increased congestion from TNCs have limited options for mitigating impacts by implementing additional regulations of surcharges. Having regulations for TNCs is important, and TNC operation may increase transportation options in rural areas, but the one-size-fits-all approach of HB 3023 will create problems for many Oregonians. It will harm low-income people, people with disabilities, and other people who do not have access to Uber and Lyft but are harmed by consequences of their operation. I strongly urge you to consider an opt-out clause, which would set state-wide regulation, but allow municipalities to to implement their own regulations to address locally-specific issues.

Sincerely,

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