

Int. No. 144

By Council Member Levin

A Local Law in relation to temporarily limiting the issuance of new for-hire vehicle licenses

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. The taxi and limousine commission shall only issue new for-hire vehicle licenses in accordance with this local law through the completion of study on the impact of growth in the taxicab and for-hire vehicle industries, or August 31, 2019, whichever occurs first.

§ 2. The commission shall only issue new for-hire vehicle licenses if such vehicle will affiliate with a base station, black car base station, or luxury limousine base station that has not yet reached the maximum number of such newly licensed vehicles that may be affiliated with such base pursuant to this local law.

§ 3. If a base station, black car base station, or luxury limousine base station has 500 or more affiliated vehicles as of June 15, 2018, such base may affiliate with up to the number of vehicles newly licensed pursuant to this section that is equal to one percent of the number of vehicles affiliated with such base as of June 15, 2018, rounded to the nearest whole number.

§ 4. If a base station, black car base station, or luxury limousine base station has 499 to 20 affiliated vehicles as of June 15, 2018, such base may affiliate with up to the number of vehicles newly licensed pursuant to this section that is equal to five percent of the number of vehicles affiliated with such base as of June 15, 2018, rounded to the nearest whole number.

§ 5. If a base station, black car base station, or luxury limousine base station has 19 or fewer affiliated vehicles as of June 15, 2018, such base may affiliate with up to the number of vehicles newly licensed pursuant to this local law that is equal to 15 percent of the number of vehicles affiliated with such base as of June 15, 2018, rounded to the nearest whole number;

provided, however, that each such base may affiliate with at least two vehicles newly licensed pursuant to this local law.

§ 6. For-hire vehicle licenses existing on the effective date of this local law shall continue to be renewed pursuant to rules of the commission.

§ 7. No provision of this local law shall be deemed to apply to or affect the issuance or renewal of street hail livery vehicle licenses or street hail livery base licenses or to the issuance or renewal of new for-hire vehicle licenses to which the street hail livery vehicle licenses are affiliated.

§ 8. Following the completion of study on the impact of growth in the taxicab and for-hire vehicle industries, the commission shall submit to the speaker of the council and the mayor recommendations for mitigating any impacts identified, including but not limited to, proposals to restrict the issuance of for-hire vehicle licenses and/or base station, black car base station, or luxury limousine base station licenses.

§ 9. This local law takes effect immediately.

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BILL SUMMARY:

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The bill would require the Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC) to limit the issuance of for-hire vehicle licenses through April 30, 2019. New for-hire vehicle licenses would only be issued in limited numbers to vehicles affiliated with existing bases to allow for some growth, based on the number of vehicles affiliated with a base as of June 15, 2018. Existing for-hire vehicle licenses would continue to be renewed. Street hail livery vehicle and base licenses would not be impacted. Following the completion of the study, the TLC would be required to submit to the Speaker and the Mayor recommendations for mitigating any impacts identified.

CODE SECTIONS AFFECTED:

- None (unconsolidated law)

EFFECTIVE DATE:

Immediately

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- Report Required:** Is a report due to Council required?
- Oversight:** Are there seemingly clear points for City agency oversight and/or evaluation?
- Sunset Date Included:** Does the legislation have a sunset date?
- Grace Period Applies:** In the case of fines or other penalties, is a grace period established?
- Council Appointment Required:** Is an appointment by the Council required?
- Other Appointment Required:** Are other appointments not by the Council required?
- Council Operations:** Might this law affect the Council's own operations?