THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 923 Session of 2023

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION, TECHNOLOGY AND UTILITIES, APRIL 17, 2023

AN ACT

1 2 3 4 5 6	Amending Title 53 (Municipalities Generally) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in taxicabs and limousines in first class cities, further providing for certificate and medallion required; and, in regulation of taxicabs and limousines in cities of the first class, further providing for regulation of taxicabs and limousines.
7	The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
8	hereby enacts as follows:
9	Section 1. Sections 5714(a)(4) and 57B02(c)(2), (6) and (7)
10	of Title 53 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are
11	amended to read:
12	§ 5714. Certificate and medallion required.
13	(a) Vehicles generally
14	* * *
15	(4) No vehicle which is more than eight years old shall
16	continue in operation as a taxicab. Notwithstanding the
17	foregoing, <u>the authority may authorize a vehicle which is</u>
18	more than eight years old and less than 11 years old to
19	continue as a taxicab upon successful completion of an

1	initial inspection and subsequent biannual inspections by the	
2	authority, and the authority may authorize the operation of	
3	antique vehicles in call or demand service in such	
4	circumstances as the authority may deem appropriate.	
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6	§ 57B02. Regulation of taxicabs and limousines.	
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8	(c) IssuesThe authority shall address the following in	
9	the temporary and final-form regulations required by this	
10	subsection:	
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12	[(2) Vehicle inspections, including the manner and	
13	frequency of inspections. The following shall apply:	
14	(i) The authority may subject no more than 25% of	
15	all taxicabs operating in a city of the first class to	
16	annual inspections to verify that the vehicle satisfies	
17	the mechanical inspection required under 75 Pa.C.S. Ch.	
18	47 (relating to inspection of vehicles) and vehicle	
19	quality standards under paragraph (7).	
20	(ii) The fee charged by the authority for an annual	
21	inspection, in addition to State minimum inspection and	
22	emissions testing charges, if also conducted by the	
23	authority, shall be \$25.]	
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25	[(6) Vehicle standards, age and mileage, including	
26	procedures to petition for exceptions to age and mileage	
27	standards. The following shall apply:	
28	(i) Taxicabs, including wheelchair-accessible	
29	vehicles, operating in a city of the first class shall be	
30	no more than eight model years old and have been driven	
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1	no more than 350,000 cumulative miles.
2	(ii) The authority may not establish service entry
3	mileage requirements for taxicabs, including wheelchair-
4	accessible vehicles.
5	(iii) Requirements for wheelchair-accessible
6	vehicles shall be consistent with the vehicle standards
7	contained in 49 CFR Pt. 38 (relating to Americans with
8	Disabilities Act (ADA) accessibility specifications for
9	transportation vehicles).
10	(7) Vehicle quality standards, including compliance with
11	environmental, cleanliness, safety and customer service
12	standards, including special safety requirements for
13	children. Vehicle quality standards adopted by the authority
14	shall not exceed the requirements of section 57A09(b)(3)(iii)
15	(relating to vehicle inspections).]
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17	Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.