

ASSEMBLY, No. 1313

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel

PRE-FILED FOR INTRODUCTION IN THE 1996 SESSION

By Assemblymen CHARLES and DORIA

1 AN ACT concerning livery service and amending R.S.48:16-1.

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3 **BE IT ENACTED** *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*  
4 *of New Jersey:*

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6 1. R.S.48:16-1 is amended to read as follows:

7 48:16-1. As used in this article:

8 "Autocab" means and includes any automobile or motor car,  
9 commonly called taxi, engaged in the business of carrying passengers  
10 for hire which is held out, announced or advertised to operate or run  
11 or which is operated or run over any of the streets or public highways  
12 of this state, and particularly accepts and discharges such persons as  
13 may offer themselves for transportation from points or places to points  
14 or places within or without the state, and includes any vehicle used to  
15 provide livery service when engaged in the business of carrying  
16 passengers for hire which is held out, announced or advertised to  
17 operate or run or which is operated or run over any of the streets or  
18 public highways of this state, and particularly accepts and discharges  
19 such persons as may offer themselves for transportation from points  
20 or places to points or places within or without the state.

21 "Person" means and includes any individual, copartnership,  
22 association, corporation or joint stock company, their lessees, trustees  
23 or receivers appointed by any court whatsoever.

24 "Street" means and includes any street, avenue, park, parkway,  
25 highway or other public place.

26 (cf: R.S.48:16-1)

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28 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

**EXPLANATION - Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and intended to be omitted in the law.**

**Matter underlined thus is new matter.**

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STATEMENT

This bill amends current law to require vehicles used for livery services but in fact operating as a taxi service to obtain municipal consent prior to operating as such in a municipality.

By requiring operators of livery services to obtain municipal consent, this bill enables municipalities to address more effectively the current problem where providers of livery services in fact operate as a taxi service, but are not subject to municipal regulation. Currently a livery operator is only required to register in the municipality in which the owner has his principal place of business.

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Requires municipal consent to operate livery service vehicle as an autocab.

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