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Topic or description of issue:

16.40.140 Taxi Company Operating Responsibilities and Prohibitions A. 4. A minimum fleet of 15 Cabs

How is this impacting your industry?

This is a 40-year-old rule, that does not apply to the current free market place, since the removal of the memorandum (no limit on companies no limit on drivers no maximums), there should be no minimums also, this rule only creates monopolies and duopolies and restricts entry of new entrepreneurs

Reason for consideration or change to the regulations?

16.40.010 PFHT Program Purpose and Provisions A Promote innovation in the PFHT industry to meet evolving consumer demand; and B. Allow fair competition, so long as public safety and the public interests are served. A. Economic conditions are relied upon to regulate the taxi industry and asserted that open entry would stimulate more innovative and competitive operations former Portland Mayor Neil Goldschmidt. B. This would allow new entrants to compete with TNCs.

Proposed solution:

16.40.100 Taxi Services Permits Required.

The operation of a Taxi Company is a privilege and not a right. This rule should apply to all to Transportation Companies, Technology Companies, Drivers. Providing PFHT in the City of Portland is a privilege and not a right to All. Right now it is not the case. The proposition here is not to make looser and weaker rules but forge them and make them fair. Here is a link on Case Study for 15 cab minimum

https://drive.google.com/file/d/13S4J7OIUfQGuTk3XjYX0Pi588y_iNFhs/view?usp=sharing
Proposition here is to allow entry of new entrepreneurs with no minimum or maximum vehicle requirement with the same vigorous requirements(background checks , permits, vehicle inspections, etc.)Except for insurance that is MUST Be



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annually Pre-Paid if fleet less than (**) cars. This will keep a bar high and keep out these who shouldn't be behind the wheel in the first place. Why can't it be done with the existing system? Answer is Cost