

Please include the following to the members of the committee. Thank you.

Dear Members of the Public Safety Committee,

There are a few items we would like to address in the house keeping of the Taxicab & Limousine Bylaw.

First, the forward camera capture rate. The current specification (five frames per second) is not achievable by the technologies currently employed and would require substantial research and development. In discussion with enforcement and administration we believe that two frames per second (the same as the inward facing camera in emergency mode) would meet the needs and is workable within the current technologies.

Second, that the new camera requirements implementation date be moved to February 1, 2013 to allow for sufficient time for installation. From our discussions with administration we believe they are in agreement to this.

Third, the recording of fares for every trip dispatched by the Broker. This is not something that has been done before and is not possible in the current digital dispatch systems employed by the brokers. With the drivers being required to record such information this would simply be redundancy and a burden for Brokers administer.

Fourth, geographic routes travelled, this is a large amount of digital information to retain. We would suggest that this information only be required to be kept for one week from the time of trip, which gives sufficient time for investigation of any concerns. Anything longer would be an onerous requirement.

We thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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