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"AN ACT CONCERNING PEER-TO-PEER CAR SHARING PROGRAMS."

- 1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
- 2 following in lieu thereof:
- 3 "Section 1. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2022) For the purposes of this
- 4 section and sections 2 to 13, inclusive, of this act:
- 5 (1) "Peer-to-peer car sharing" means the authorized use of a shared
- 6 vehicle for a consideration by a person other than the shared vehicle
- 7 owner through a car sharing platform.
- 8 (2) "Peer-to-peer car sharing company" or "company" means any
- 9 person, corporation, limited partnership or other legal entity that is
- 10 engaged in the business of operating a car sharing platform to enable
- 11 peer-to-peer car sharing in this state. "Peer-to-peer car sharing
- 12 company" does not include any person licensed pursuant to section 14-
- 13 15 of the general statutes.

- (3) "Car sharing platform" means a physical or electronic place, including, but not limited to, a store, a booth, an Internet web site, a catalog or a dedicated software application that allows a shared vehicle owner to make a shared vehicle available for peer-to-peer car sharing and connect a shared vehicle owner with a shared vehicle driver.
 - (4) "Car sharing agreement" means the terms and conditions applicable to a shared vehicle owner and a shared vehicle driver that govern the use of a shared vehicle.
- 22 (5) "Shared vehicle" means a vehicle that is available for sharing on a 23 car sharing platform. "Shared vehicle" does not include a passenger 24 motor vehicle used for rental purposes by any person licensed pursuant 25 to section 14-15 of the general statutes.
- 26 (6) "Shared vehicle driver" means a person authorized by the shared 27 vehicle owner to drive the shared vehicle under a car sharing 28 agreement.
- 29 (7) "Shared vehicle owner" means the registered owner, or a person 30 or entity designated by the registered owner, of a vehicle made available 31 on a car sharing platform.
- 32 (8) "Car sharing delivery period" means the period of time during 33 which a shared vehicle is being delivered to the location of the car 34 sharing start time, if applicable, as documented by the car sharing 35 agreement.
- 36 (9) "Car sharing period" means the period of time that begins at the 37 start of the car sharing delivery period or, if there is no car sharing 38 delivery period, that begins at the car sharing start time, and ends at the 39 car sharing termination time.
 - (10) "Car sharing start time" means the time when a shared vehicle driver takes possession and control of the shared vehicle at or after the time the reservation of a shared vehicle is scheduled to begin pursuant to a car sharing agreement.

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- 44 (11) "Car sharing termination time" means the earliest of the 45 following events:
- (A) The expiration of the agreed upon period of time established for the use of a shared vehicle according to the terms of the car sharing agreement if the shared vehicle is delivered to the location agreed upon in such agreement;
 - (B) When the shared vehicle is returned to a location as alternatively agreed upon by the shared vehicle owner and shared vehicle driver as communicated through a car sharing platform and incorporated into the car sharing agreement; or
 - (C) When the shared vehicle owner or the shared vehicle owner's authorized designee takes possession and control of the shared vehicle.
 - Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2022) (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a peer-to-peer car sharing company shall assume liability of a shared vehicle owner for bodily injury or property damage to third parties, or uninsured and underinsured motorist or personal injury protection losses, during the car sharing period in an amount stated in the peer-to-peer car sharing agreement, but not less than the minimum amounts required by subsection (a) of section 14-112 of the general statutes.
 - (b) The assumption of liability under subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to any shared vehicle owner who: (1) Makes an intentional or fraudulent material misrepresentation or omission to the peer-to-peer car sharing company or on the car sharing platform before the car sharing period in which the liability arose; or (2) acts in concert with a shared vehicle driver who fails to return the shared vehicle pursuant to the car sharing agreement.
 - (c) A peer-to-peer car sharing company shall ensure that, during each car sharing period, the shared vehicle owner and the shared vehicle driver are insured under an automobile liability insurance policy that:

 (1) Provides insurance coverage in amounts not less than the minimum

- amounts required by subsection (a) of section 14-112 of the general statutes; and (2) recognizes that the shared vehicle insured under the policy is made available and used through a car sharing platform, or does not exclude the use of a shared vehicle by a shared vehicle driver.
- (d) The coverage requirements of subsection (c) of this section may be satisfied by an automobile liability insurance maintained by the shared vehicle owner, the shared vehicle driver, the peer-to-peer car sharing company or the shared vehicle owner, the shared vehicle driver and the peer-to-peer car sharing company.
 - (e) The automobile liability insurance maintained pursuant to subsection (d) of this section shall assume primary liability for a claim:
 - (1) During each car sharing period;

- (2) When a dispute exists as to who was in control of the shared vehicle at the time of the loss and the peer-to-peer car sharing company does not have available, did not retain or fails to provide the information required by section 5 of this act that relates to the claim; or
- (3) When a dispute exists as to whether the shared vehicle was returned to the alternatively agreed upon location as communicated through the car sharing platform and incorporated into the car sharing agreement.
- (f) If a claim occurs during the car sharing period in another state with minimum financial responsibility requirements that are higher than the minimum amounts required by subsection (a) of section 14-112 of the general statutes, the automobile liability insurance policy maintained pursuant to subsection (d) of this section shall provide coverage to satisfy the minimum amounts required by the other state, up to the applicable policy limits.
- (g) If an automobile liability insurance policy maintained by a shared vehicle owner or shared vehicle driver has lapsed or does not provide the coverage required pursuant to subsection (c) of this section, the peer-

- to-peer car sharing company's automobile liability insurance policy shall provide such coverage, beginning with the first dollar of a claim, and the insurance company issuing such policy shall have the duty to defend a claim except under circumstances as set forth in subsection (b) of this section.
- 110 (h) Coverage under an automobile insurance policy maintained by 111 the peer-to-peer car sharing company shall not be contingent on another 112 automobile insurance company first denying a claim, nor shall such 113 other insurance company be required to first deny a claim.
 - (i) Nothing in this section shall:

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- 115 (1) Limit the liability of the peer-to-peer car sharing company for any 116 act or omission of the company that results in bodily injury to any 117 person as a result of the use of a shared vehicle through a car sharing 118 platform; or
 - (2) Limit the ability of the peer-to-peer car sharing company to contract for indemnification from the shared vehicle owner or the shared vehicle driver for economic loss sustained by the company resulting from a breach of the terms and conditions of the car sharing agreement.
 - Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2022*) When a vehicle owner registers as a shared vehicle owner with a peer-to-peer car sharing company but before the shared vehicle is made available on the car sharing platform, the peer-to-peer car sharing company shall notify the shared vehicle owner that, if the shared vehicle has a lien against it, the use of the shared vehicle through a car sharing platform, including use without physical damage coverage, may violate the terms of the contract with the lienholder.
 - Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2022*) (a) An insurance company that offers automobile liability insurance coverage in this state may offer automobile liability insurance policies to individuals that exclude any or all coverage and the duty to defend or indemnify any claim afforded

- under a shared vehicle owner's automobile liability insurance policy.
- 137 Such exclusions may include, but are not limited to: (1) Liability
- coverage for bodily injury and property damage; (2) personal injury
- 139 protection coverage; (3) uninsured and underinsured motorist coverage;
- 140 (4) medical payments coverage; (5) comprehensive physical damage
- 141 coverage; or (6) collision physical damage coverage.
- (b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to: (1) Invalidate or limit
- an exclusion contained in an automobile liability insurance policy,
- 144 including any insurance policy that excludes coverage for motor
- vehicles made available for rent, sharing, hire or business use, or (2)
- invalidate, limit or restrict an insurance company that offers automobile
- liability insurance coverage to underwrite, cancel or not renew any
- insurance policy.
- Sec. 5. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2022) A peer-to-peer car sharing
- 150 company shall collect and verify records pertaining to the use of a
- shared vehicle, including, but not limited to, the times used, location of
- 152 the car sharing start time and car sharing termination time, car sharing
- period fees paid by the shared vehicle driver and revenues received by
- the shared vehicle owner. The company shall provide such records: (1)
- 155 Upon request to the shared vehicle owner, the shared vehicle owner's
- insurance company or the shared vehicle driver's insurance company to
- 157 facilitate a claim coverage investigation, settlement, negotiation or
- litigation, or (2) as required by an agreement entered into pursuant to
- section 13 of this act. The company shall retain the records for a time
- period not less than the applicable personal injury statute of limitations.
- Sec. 6. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2022) A peer-to-peer car sharing
- 162 company and a shared vehicle owner shall be exempt from vicarious
- liability in accordance with 49 USC 30106, as amended from time to
- 164 time, and under any state law or municipal ordinance that imposes
- liability solely based on vehicle ownership.
- Sec. 7. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2022) An insurance company that
- defends or indemnifies a claim against a shared vehicle that is excluded

- under the terms of its automobile liability insurance policy shall have a right to seek recovery against the insurance company of the peer-to-peer car sharing company if the claim is: (1) Made against the shared vehicle owner or the shared vehicle driver for loss or injury that occurs during the car sharing period; and (2) excluded under the terms of its policy.
- Sec. 8. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2022*) (a) A peer-to-peer car sharing company shall have an insurable interest in a shared vehicle during the car sharing period. Nothing in this subsection shall create liability for a peer-to-peer car sharing company for failure to maintain the insurance coverage required pursuant to section 2 of this act.
- (b) A peer-to-peer car sharing company may own and maintain, as the named insured, one or more policies of automobile liability insurance that provides coverage for: (1) Liability assumed by the peerto-peer car sharing company under a car sharing agreement; (2) any liability of the shared vehicle owner; (3) damage or loss to the shared vehicle; or (4) any liability of the shared vehicle driver.
- Sec. 9. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2022*) Each car sharing agreement shall, at a minimum, disclose to the shared vehicle owner and the shared vehicle driver:
 - (1) Any right of the peer-to-peer car sharing company to seek indemnification from the shared vehicle owner or the shared vehicle driver for economic loss sustained by the company resulting from a breach of the terms and conditions of the car sharing agreement;
 - (2) That an automobile liability insurance policy issued to the shared vehicle owner for the shared vehicle or to the shared vehicle driver does not provide a defense or indemnification for any claim asserted by the peer-to-peer car sharing company;
 - (3) That the peer-to-peer car sharing company's insurance coverage on the shared vehicle owner and the shared vehicle driver is in effect only during each car sharing period and that, for any use of the shared vehicle by the shared vehicle driver after the car sharing termination

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- time, the shared vehicle driver and the shared vehicle owner may not have insurance coverage;
- 201 (4) The daily rate, fees and, if applicable, any insurance or protection 202 package costs that are charged to the shared vehicle owner or the shared 203 vehicle driver;
- 204 (5) That the shared vehicle owner's automobile liability insurance 205 may not provide coverage for a shared vehicle;
- 206 (6) An emergency telephone number to personnel capable of 207 answering calls for roadside assistance and other customer service 208 inquiries; and
- (7) If there are conditions under which a shared vehicle driver shall
 maintain a personal automobile insurance policy with certain applicable
 coverage limits on a primary basis to book a shared vehicle.
- Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2022*) (a) A peer-to-peer car sharing company may not enter into a car sharing agreement with a shared vehicle driver unless the shared vehicle driver holds an operator's license, as defined in section 14-1 of the general statutes, that authorizes the driver to operate a motor vehicle of the same class as the shared vehicle.
 - (b) A peer-to-peer car sharing company shall keep a record of: (1) The name and address of the shared vehicle driver; (2) the number of the operator's license of each shared vehicle driver; and (3) the place of issuance of the operator's license.
 - Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2022*) A peer-to-peer car sharing company is responsible for any equipment, such as a global positioning system, that is put in or on the shared vehicle to monitor or facilitate the car sharing transaction. The company shall indemnify and hold harmless the shared vehicle owner for any damage to or theft of such equipment during the car sharing period, unless caused by the vehicle owner. The company has the right to seek indemnification from the

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- 229 shared vehicle driver for any loss or damage to such equipment that 230 occurs during the car sharing period.
- 231 Sec. 12. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2022) (a) When a shared vehicle 232 owner registers a shared vehicle with a peer-to-peer car sharing 233 company but before the shared vehicle is available on the car sharing 234 platform, the company shall: (1) Verify that the shared vehicle is not subject to a safety recall for which the repairs have not been made; and 235 236 (2) notify the shared vehicle owner of the requirements under 237 subsection (b) of this section.
 - (b) (1) If a shared vehicle owner received an actual notice of a safety recall for the shared vehicle, the shared vehicle owner shall not make the shared vehicle available on the car sharing platform until the safety recall repair has been made.
 - (2) If a shared vehicle owner receives an actual notice of a safety recall for a shared vehicle while the shared vehicle is available on the car sharing platform, the shared vehicle owner shall remove the shared vehicle's availability on the platform as soon as practicable after receiving such notice and until the safety recall repair has been made.
 - (3) If a shared vehicle owner receives an actual notice of a safety recall for a shared vehicle during the car sharing period, the shared vehicle owner shall notify both the shared vehicle driver and the peer-to-peer car sharing company of the safety recall as soon as practicable.
- 251 Sec. 13. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2022) A peer-to-peer car sharing 252 company shall not permit the operation of peer-to-peer car sharing at 253 Bradley International Airport unless such company enters into an 254 agreement with the Connecticut Airport Authority, established pursuant to section 15-120bb of the general statutes. The Connecticut 256 Airport Authority may charge and collect a reasonable fee from any 257 such company for the privilege of operating peer-to-peer car sharing at 258 such airport.
- 259 Sec. 14. (NEW) (Effective January 1, 2022) (a) As used in this section:

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- (1) "Peer-to-peer car sharing facilitator" means any peer-to-peer car sharing company that (A) facilitates retail sales of at least two hundred fifty thousand dollars during the prior twelve-month period by shared vehicle owners by providing a car sharing platform; (B) directly or indirectly through agreements or arrangements with third parties, collects payment for peer-to-peer car sharing and remits payments to the shared vehicle owners; and (C) receives compensation or other consideration for such services; and
- (2) "Peer-to-peer car sharing company", "shared vehicle owner", "car sharing platform" and "peer-to-peer car sharing" have the same meanings as provided in section 1 of this act.
- (b) A peer-to-peer car sharing facilitator shall be required to obtain a permit to collect the tax set forth in subparagraph (G) of subdivision (1) of section 12-408 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, and shall be considered the retailer for each retail sale of peer-to-peer car sharing for a period of thirty consecutive calendar days or less that such facilitator facilitates on its car sharing platform for a shared vehicle owner. Each peer-to-peer car sharing facilitator shall (1) be required to collect and remit for each such sale any tax imposed under section 12-408 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, (2) be responsible for all obligations imposed under chapter 219 of the general statutes as if such facilitator was the owner of the shared vehicle and retailer for such sale, and (3) keep such records and information as may be required by the Commissioner of Revenue Services to ensure proper collection and remittance of such tax.
- (c) A shared vehicle owner shall not be liable for the collection of the tax set forth in subparagraph (G) of subdivision (1) of section 12-408 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, to the extent the peer-to-peer car sharing facilitator collected the tax due on such sale.
- Sec. 15. Subparagraph (G) of subdivision (1) of section 12-408 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective January 1, 2022, and applicable to sales occurring on or after*

- 292 *January 1, 2022*):
- 293 (G) With respect to the rental or leasing of a passenger motor vehicle
- or peer-to-peer car sharing, as defined in section 1 of this act, for a period
- of thirty consecutive calendar days or less, at a rate of nine and thirty-
- 296 five-hundredths per cent;
- Sec. 16. Subparagraph (G) of subdivision (1) of section 12-411 of the
- 298 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 299 thereof (Effective January 1, 2022, and applicable to sales occurring on or after
- 300 *January 1, 2022*):
- 301 (G) With respect to the rental or leasing of a passenger motor vehicle
- or peer-to-peer car sharing, as defined in section 1 of this act, for a period
- 303 of thirty consecutive calendar days or less, at a rate of nine and thirty-
- 304 five-hundredths per cent;
- Sec. 17. Section 12-665 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 306 following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2022, and
- 307 applicable to car sharing agreements executed on or after January 1, 2022):
- A surcharge is hereby imposed on (1) the rental or leasing, for a
- 309 period of thirty consecutive calendar days or less, of a passenger motor
- vehicle by any person licensed pursuant to section 14-15, [. Said] and (2)
- 311 peer-to-peer car sharing for a period of thirty consecutive calendar days
- 312 <u>or less. Such</u> surcharge shall be in addition to any tax otherwise
- 313 applicable to any such transaction. No surcharge shall be imposed
- under this section for the rental or leasing of a motor vehicle <u>or for peer-</u>
- 315 to-peer car sharing pursuant to a written agreement or a car sharing
- 316 <u>agreement</u> having a term of more than thirty days. For the purposes of
- 317 <u>this section, "peer-to-peer car sharing" and "car sharing agreement" have</u>
- 318 <u>the same meanings as provided in section 1 of this act.</u>
- Sec. 18. Section 12-666 of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 320 following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective January 1, 2022, and
- 321 applicable to car sharing agreements executed on or after January 1, 2022):

- (a) For the purposes of this section, "peer-to-peer car sharing
 facilitator" has the same meaning as provided in section 14 of this act,
 and "car sharing period", "shared vehicle driver" and "peer-to-peer car
 sharing" have the same meanings as provided in section 1 of this act.
 - [(a)] (b) The surcharge imposed by section 12-665, as amended by this act, shall be at a rate of one dollar for each day, or portion thereof, up to thirty days, (1) for which the lessor charges the lessee for the rental or lease of such a motor vehicle, and (2) that is included in the car sharing period.
 - [(b)] (c) Reimbursement for the surcharge imposed by section 12-665, as amended by this act, shall be collected by the lessor from the lessee or by the peer-to-peer car sharing facilitator from the shared vehicle driver, as applicable, and such surcharge reimbursement, termed "surcharge" in this subsection, shall be paid by the consumer to the retailer and each retailer shall collect from the consumer the full amount of the surcharge imposed by section 12-665, as amended by this act. Such surcharge shall be a debt from the lessee to the lessor, when so added to the original lease or rental price or from the shared vehicle driver to the peer-to-peer car sharing facilitator, when so added to the original price for peer-to-peer car sharing, and shall be recoverable at law in the same manner as other debts.
 - (d) Whenever such surcharge, payable by the consumer with respect to a charge account or credit sale is remitted by the retailer to the commissioner and such sale as an account receivable is determined to be worthless and is actually written off as uncollectible for federal income tax purposes, the amount of such surcharge remitted may be credited against the surcharge due on the surcharge return filed by the retailer for the monthly or quarterly period, whichever is applicable, next following the period in which such amount is actually so written off, but in no event shall such credit be allowed later than three years following the date such surcharge is remitted. The commissioner shall, by regulations adopted in accordance with chapter 54, provide standards for proving any such claim for credit. If any account with

respect to which such credit is allowed is thereafter collected by the retailer in whole or in part, the amount so collected shall be included in the surcharge return covering the period in which such collection occurs."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 2	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 3	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 4	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 5	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 6	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 7	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 8	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 9	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 10	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 11	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 12	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 13	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 14	January 1, 2022	New section
Sec. 15	January 1, 2022, and	12-408(1)(G)
	applicable to sales	
	occurring on or after	
	January 1, 2022	
Sec. 16	January 1, 2022, and	12-411(1)(G)
	applicable to sales	
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Sec. 17	January 1, 2022	12 ((5
Sec. 17	January 1, 2022, and applicable to car sharing	12-665
	agreements executed on or	
	after January 1, 2022	
Sec. 18	January 1, 2022, and	12-666
	applicable to car sharing	
	agreements executed on or	
	after January 1, 2022	