

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL

Regular Meeting MARCH 28, 2019

SUBMITTED AT THE REQUEST OF

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND GROWTH MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

Sec. 22½-7B. Reserved. Illegal Solicitation.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for any person who does not have a valid chauffeur's registration to offer or facilitate the solicitation of for-hire ground transportation services to passengers in Broward County.
- (b) <u>Prearranged Transportation</u>. Any Operator utilizing a motor vehicle restricted to prearranged ground transportation services under this Chapter shall provide ground transportation services only to persons who have prearranged for such services. All Operators and their employees, agents, individual contractors, or representatives that engage in providing prearranged ground transportation services are expressly prohibited from the solicitation of for-hire ground transportation services to passengers in Broward County in any manner other than on a prearranged basis.
- Seizure and Impoundment. The Division and any person designated by the Division is authorized to seize and impound a motor vehicle that is being utilized by an Illegal Solicitor to solicit for-hire ground transportation services. A motor vehicle seized in accordance with this subsection shall be removed to a designated towing facility and be immediately available for retrieval by the Illegal Solicitor or record owner of the motor vehicle.
- Motice of Seizure. Within twenty-four (24) hours after a seizure, a Notice of Seizure must be provided to the Illegal Solicitor, if known, stating the fact of such seizure, the grounds for the seizure, identification of the seized motor vehicle, the address and telephone number of the towing facility to which the motor vehicle was taken, the right to recover the motor vehicle upon payment of the applicable towing and administrative fee, information about how to request a hearing to appeal the seizure, and that a successful appeal may result in reimbursement of the towing fee and, if charged by the towing facility, the Division's administrative fee. A copy of the Notice of Seizure shall also be provided to the record owner

- (e) Hearing. The Illegal Solicitor or the record owner of the motor vehicle may, no later than fifteen (15) days after receipt of the Notice of Seizure, request in writing a hearing from the Division to appeal the seizure. The Division must conduct a hearing no later than fifteen (15) days after receipt of the request for a hearing. The hearing shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 8½-12 of the Broward County Code of Ordinances.
- <u>Order of the Hearing Officer.</u> If the hearing officer determines that the person was not operating as an Illegal Solicitor, the hearing officer shall require the Division to pay or reimburse the towing fee, and, if charged by the towing facility, the administrative fee.
- (g) Appeal. The Illegal Solicitor or the record owner of the vehicle may appeal the hearing officer's decision by certiorari to the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit within thirty (30) days after the date of the hearing officer's order as provided for by the Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.
- (f) Prearranged Transportation. Any Operator utilizing a motor vehicle restricted to prearranged ground transportation services under this Chapter shall provide ground transportation services only to persons who have prearranged for such services. All Operators and their employees, agents, individual contractors, or representatives that engage in providing prearranged ground transportation services are expressly prohibited from the solicitation of for-hire ground transportation services to passengers in Broward County in any manner other than on a prearranged basis.
- Section 3. Section 22½-9B of the Broward County Code of Ordinances is hereby amended to read as follows:

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