

# Sharing “gig” Economy A View From Sacramento

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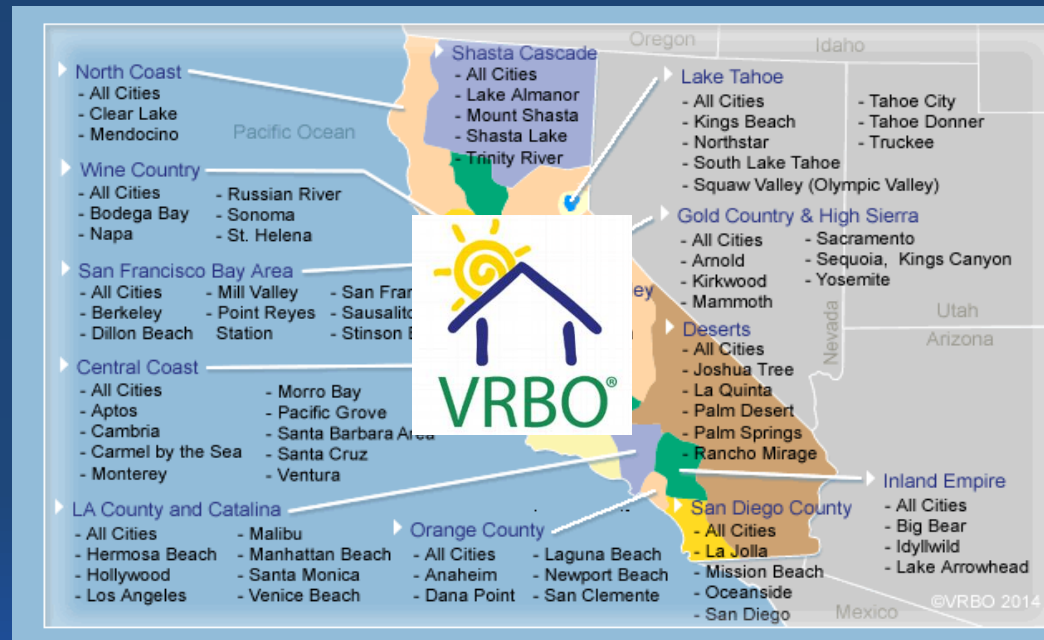




# Legislative History – Rentals

AB 229 (Chapter 770, Statutes of 2015) State employees: travel reimbursement.

- Prohibits state agencies from prohibiting state employees traveling on official state business from using (and getting reimbursed for) utilizing TNC's or short term rentals.





# Legislative History – Rentals.

SB 761 (Chapter 239, Statutes of 2015) Advertising:  
Internet private residence rental listings: notice.

- Requires “hosting platforms” such as AirBnB to provide a notice to tenants or occupants listing their residence to first check with their landlord or property owner about their ability to do so.





# Legislative History – Rentals

**SB 593 (McGuire, 2015 – Died Senate Floor)**

**Thriving Communities and Sharing Economy Act.**

- Would have authorized a city or/and county to require and enforce through penalties/fines transient residential hosting platforms to report quarterly confidential information solely for the purpose of determining occupancy tax and zoning administration for the city/county to collect and remit.
- Would have allowed cities/counties to prohibit and enforce through penalties/fines the rental of residential units if such units were operating in violation of a local ordinance.



# Legislative History – TNC's

**AB 650 (Low, 2015) Taxicab transportation services.**

**– Vetoed**

- In an effort to “level the playing field” between the taxi and TNC industry, this bill would have “frozen” local taxi permitting fees and ordinances to those already in place by July 1, 2016 and would have allowed taxis to pick up pre-arranged fares in any city.



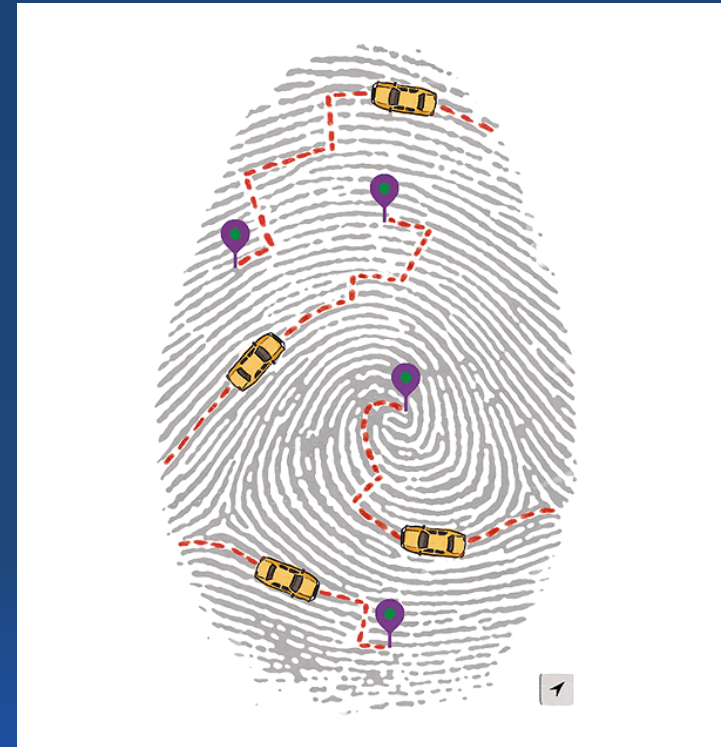


# ... Legislative History – TNC's

AB 1289 (Chapter 740, Statutes of 2016)

Transportation network companies: participating drivers: penalties.

- Requires TNCs to conduct local and national criminal background checks for each of their drivers and prevents employing registered sex offenders, violent and drug convicts.





# ... Legislative History – TNC's

AB 1422 (Chapter 791, Statutes of 2015)

Transportation network companies.

- Requires TNCs to participate in the DMV pull-notice system to check the driving records of their employees/independent contractors.





# ... Legislative History – TNC's

AB 2293 (Chapter 389, Statutes of 2015)

Transportation network companies: insurance coverage.

- Requires TNC's and their drivers to have auto liability insurance, satisfied either by a policy obtained by the driver that specifically covers their use of the vehicle as a for-hire vehicle, or by insurance provided by the TNC directly.





# 2017 Legislative Update

## AB 1069 (Low) Local government: taxicab transportation services.

- Would take away all city regulatory authority over taxicabs and place that responsibility with county government.





# 2017 Legislative Update

**SB 182 (Bradford) Transportation network company:  
participating drivers: single business license.**

- Would allow TNC drivers to operate with only one local business license of their jurisdiction choosing regardless of how many jurisdictions they operate in, and prohibit local agencies from requiring they obtain any additional licenses within their own jurisdictions to operate.





# ... 2017 Legislative Update

## SB 649 (Hueso) Wireless telecommunications facilities.

- Would prohibit cities/counties from being able to lease or rent their public property and vertical infrastructure for the installation of “small cell” equipment, and instead limit the local government to charging a permit fee not exceeding \$850. The proposal would also limit a city’s discretion over issuing small cell permits, limiting their ability to require regular maintenance, basic quality of service, and any requirements to provide additional services.

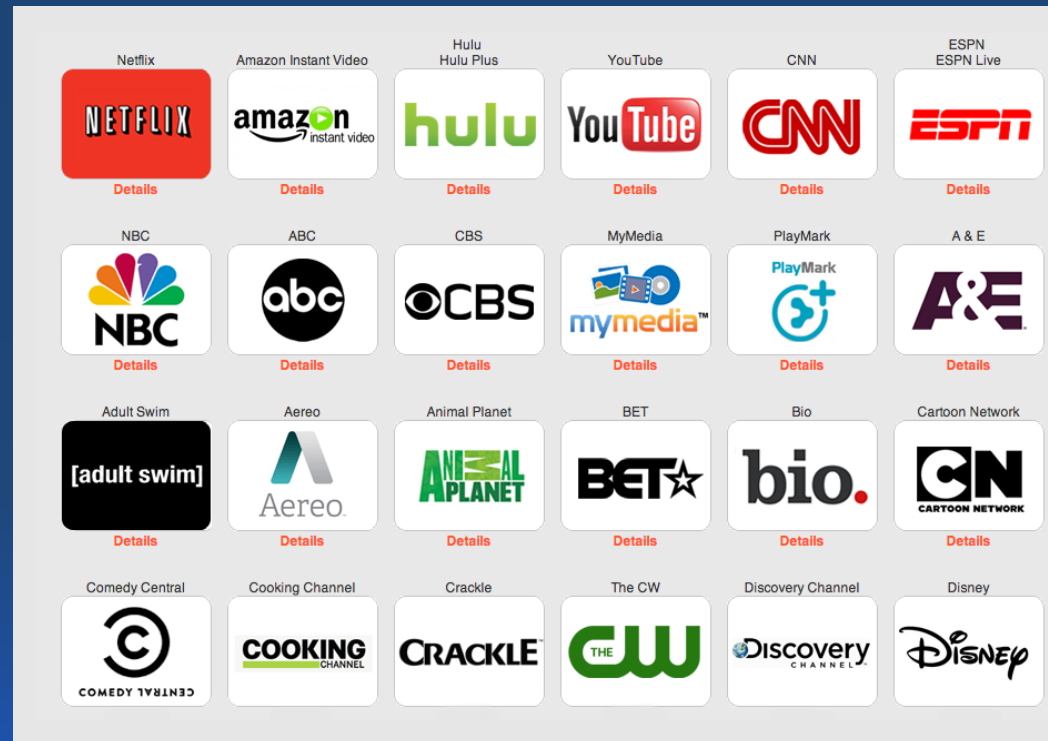




# ... 2017 Legislative Update

**AB 252 (Ridley-Thomas) Local government: taxation: prohibition: video streaming services.**

- Would prohibit a cities/counties from imposing any utility user tax on video streaming services. – 2 year bill





# Takeaways

- The internet of things is rapidly changing the economy.
- California's legislature has struggled to keep pace with regulating new tech industries that lack a “physical” (brick and mortar) presence.
- The “sharing” economy is less about providing any new services and more about providing similar services at a discount.
- Under the “guise” of innovation, local revenue and authority will continue to be challenged by powerful interests on many fronts, as we've seen in the following areas:
  - Telecommunications
  - Lodging
  - Transportation
  - Retail



# How to help/engage

- Be proactive – if you love/hate a bill, let us know
- The League will assist cities in opposing legislation that limits or removes local authority or potential revenue.
- Oppose letters and phone calls to legislators on SB 649.
- Educating your mayors and city council members on why its important to engage on legislation.
- Being available for public testimony, calls from the press, as a subject matter expert.