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## **Nevada Warns Consumers on 'Ridesharing' Insurance Risks**

### ***The Silver State Joins Growing Nationwide Alarm Over Insurance Gaps With uberX and Lyft***

**ROCKVILLE, Md.**— The Nevada Division of Insurance has issued a warning to its consumers that so-called “ridesharing” companies—those such as uberX and Lyft—place them at risk of being uninsured. With Nevada’s recent advisory, nearly one third of all American states are now warning their consumers that the insurance provided by “ridesharing” companies is unacceptable.

Nevada issued a strong warning to passengers of such services, adding its voice to similar warnings issued recently by 15 other states and the District of Columbia: “Consumers need to be aware that when utilizing these types of ride-sharing technology companies that they may be driving with someone who is uninsured. This puts passengers at financial risk should they be involved in an accident and are injured,” the warning states.

The warning from The Silver State to prospective ‘ridesharing’ drivers was even more blunt: “When consumers use their own private passenger automobiles to transport individuals for a fee, they risk driving without proper insurance.”

The Nevada warning further states that driving passengers for a fee requires commercial auto liability insurance and recommends passengers request proof of such a commercial policy before accepting a ride with a “ridesharing” driver.

“There has been an avalanche in the past few weeks of American states warning their consumers that ‘ridesharing’ is unsafe. This latest warning comes at the exact moment that Uber and Lyft are furiously attempting to convince Californians there’s no need to change the insurance coverage provided by these irresponsible companies,” said Dave Sutton, spokesperson for the ‘Who’s Driving You?’ public safety campaign. “Clearly, there is an overwhelming need for ‘ridesharing’ companies to provide primary commercial auto liability insurance coverage—or get out of the for-hire transportation business.”

#### **ABOUT US:**

‘Who’s Driving You?’ is a public safety campaign designed to educate the public about the dangers of unlicensed transportation services. It is an initiative of the Taxicab, Limousine & Paratransit Association, an international non-profit trade association whose membership consists of 1,100 licensed transportation companies. For more information, visit [www.WhosDrivingYou.org](http://www.WhosDrivingYou.org), follow us on Twitter (@WhosDrivingYou) and follow us on Facebook ([facebook.com/WhosDrivingYou](https://www.facebook.com/WhosDrivingYou))

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