

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 143

House of Representatives, January 17, 2019

**An Act To Allow for the Regulation of Transportation Network  
Companies at Airports by Municipalities**

(EMERGENCY)

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Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative FARNSWORTH of Portland.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: BRENNAN of Portland, CARDONE of Bangor, COLLINGS  
of Portland, KORNFELD of Bangor, MOONEN of Portland, MORALES of South Portland,  
SCHNECK of Bangor, SYLVESTER of Portland.

1           **Emergency preamble. Whereas,** acts and resolves of the Legislature do not  
2 become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

3           **Whereas,** most tourism in Maine occurs between Memorial Day and Labor Day  
4 each year; and

5           **Whereas,** this legislation allows municipalities to govern transportation operations  
6 at local airports; and

7           **Whereas,** this legislation must take effect before the expiration of the 90-day period  
8 in order for it to be in effect during the summer tourist season; and

9           **Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within  
10 the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as  
11 immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now,  
12 therefore,

13 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

14           **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1677,** as enacted by PL 2015, c. 279, §2, is amended to  
15 read:

16 **§1677. Municipal action**

17           Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a municipality or other political  
18 subdivision may not adopt an ordinance, regulation or procedure governing the operations  
19 of a transportation network company, driver or motor vehicle used by a transportation  
20 network company driver to provide a prearranged ride or impose a tax or fee on or require  
21 a license for a transportation network company, driver or motor vehicle used by a  
22 transportation network company driver to provide a prearranged ride, except that a  
23 municipality may adopt an ordinance governing the operations of a transportation  
24 network company at an airport located within that municipality.

25           **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this  
26 legislation takes effect when approved.

27 **SUMMARY**

28           This bill allows a municipality to adopt an ordinance governing the operations of a  
29 transportation network company at an airport located within that municipality.