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Transportation Committee Hears Jitney Legislation

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Earlier this month, Transportation Committee Chairman, Assemblyman John Wisniewski, held a hearing on A3993, Jitney Legislation, along with members of the Transportation Committee and prime sponsors of the bill, Assemblyman Charles Mainor, Assemblywoman Angelica Jimenez, Assemblywoman Marlene Caride and Assemblyman Scott Rudder, to require Jitneys to meet the same regulations and rules that limousines must follow.

Testifying on behalf of LANJ was Alternate Board Member, Paul Rosenberg of Yellow Cab/Shore Limo, along with Board Member, Jeff Roberts of Avalon Limousine Service, and LANJ Executive Director, Barry Lefkowitz. The LANJ contingent made it very clear that they were deeply concerned that Jitneys were operating completely outside of their legal status and putting the riding public at risk.

Committee members were shocked by the packet of pictures showing Jitneys with open kegs of beer on an interstate trip, which they do not have FMSCA authority to cross state lines. Photos showed Jitneys with prom goers, weddings, etc, just as you would expect limousines to be conducting business.

Jitneys receive federal subsidies and they have violated federal and state law by displaying big campaign signs on their vehicles for a Freeholder candidate whose family apparently happens to have both an interest in the Jitneys and has a seat on the South Jersey Transportation Authority.

Assemblyman Charles Mainor, Prime Sponsor, and Assemblyman John Amodeo, whose district has Jitneys, have been asked by the Chairman to work together to tweak the bill so it also covers more definitively the problems with Jitneys in Hudson County.

A meeting is being scheduled with Atlantic City officials as well as a meeting with NJDOT, NJMVC, NJ Bus Association and other stakeholders. The plan is to move the legislation right after the election.

Mayor's Race in NYC Important to Industry

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As everyone in our industry is aware, the NYC TLC has been out of control and has taken

unprecedented actions against legitimate operators under the current Chairmanship of David Yassky.

The next Mayor of NYC is critical to the survival of our industry in conducting business in NYC since he will select a new Commissioner. Mayoral Candidate Bill Thompson, according to Matt Daus our General Counsel, is a strong supporter of the limousine industry and intends to select a Commissioner who will listen to our industry and follow the laws that our industry worked so hard to pass federally. Additionally having a Commissioner to honor reciprocity between NJ and NY is most important to operators to be able to conduct interstate business without irresponsible actions by the TLC.

Every LANJ operator and vendor needs to help us get behind Thompson's Mayoral candidacy by helping us support him financially with contributions of \$50, \$100, \$250 or \$500 written to the Camden County Pride PAC, C/O of Pete Corelli, Lakeview Custom Coach, 100 White Horse Pike, Oaklyn, NJ 08107.

Now more than ever we have to have a Mayor who looks out for our industry.

LANJ Sub-Committee Studies Affinity Programs

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Led by Jeff Shanker, A-1 Limousine, Inc. and Secretary/Legislative Chair of the Board, Bob Schiavo, Albert's Transportation and Board member, Jason Sharenow, Broadway Elite Chauffeured Services Worldwide and Board member, a Sub-Committee of the Board has been formed. The purpose of the Sub-Committee is to review potential Affinity Partners that can bring added value to our members and cost savings. The Sub-Committee has already interviewed three potential vendors.

Mark Your Calendar Next LANJ Luncheon on September 18th

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The LANJ Annual September Luncheon is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, September 18, 2013, hosted by A-1 Limousine, Inc.

Save the date! Details to follow!

Reduce your LANJ dues by leveraging the Chosen Payments LANJ Partnership!

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Chosen Payments strives to help LANJ grow its member base as well as add extreme value to all existing members. Chosen has offered to pay \$250 towards any current LANJ member's dues if they cannot save you money on your credit card processing! This is a WIN-WIN as you will either save significantly on your processing fees, or you will get \$250 towards your LANJ dues! If you are not yet a member of LANJ Chosen will give you a \$150 signing bonus to become a new LANJ member, and new Chosen client. This also is a WIN-WIN as you will gain all the benefits of joining LANJ for \$150 less, and Chosen will give you an additional \$250 if we cannot save you money! Spend the 10 minutes it takes to consult with Chosen Payments and you may realize how to significantly reduce your operating costs as well as help to support the growth of LANJ! For more information please contact Vincent Crivello at (855) 424- 6735 ext 113, vincentc@chosenpayments.com or Sarah VanBeek at (855) 424-6736 ext 128. Also please visit our new site dedicated to YOU! www.liverypayments.com

For Your Attention! Alamo Affinity Program

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expenses. Additionally, LANJ members that become clients of Alamo Insurance group are eligible to apply each year for a business development grant equal to that member's annual membership dues up to a maximum of \$1,500. For more information, visit www.alamoinsurance.net or call (877) 55-ALAMO, press Option 9, then ext. 212.

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Even more value for you! Ituran's "manage it" service will allow you, the operations manager or owner of a limousine company, to know where your vehicles are at any given moment, track location, get speeding notifications, idling reports, passenger pick-ups and drop-offs, as well as save on fuel, eliminate unauthorized usage of the vehicle, protect your property and receive a host of other live notifications and reports. For details, visit www.ituranusa.com and/or contact Efrat Bogoslavsky at (954) 328-8404 and/or email ebogoslavsky@ituranusa.com.

Let LANJ hear from you. Please send your comments and/or questions to kim.bubnis@limo.org.

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