

HB1168 • Tennessee

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55 and Title 65, relative to autonomous vehicles.

Introduced

Risk: Medium

Amendment

Last Action (Mar 17, 2026): Assigned to s/c Finance, Ways, and Means Subcommittee

Summary

This bill amends TCA Title 55 and Title 65 to exclude ADS-operated vehicles used for hire in interstate commerce from the exemption allowing operation without a human driver present.

Business Impact

If you operate ADS for transporting goods or passengers in Tennessee, you must ensure a human driver is present or face regulatory penalties.

Key Provisions

- Excludes ADS-operated vehicles used for hire in interstate commerce from the exemption allowing operation without a human driver physically present.
- Applies to vehicles transporting property or passengers for hire in interstate commerce.
- Amends existing laws under TCA Title 55 and Title 65.

Compliance Checklist

- Ensure a human driver is present in ADS-operated vehicles for hire. | Who: Businesses operating ADS for transportation. | Penalty: Potential legal repercussions or operational restrictions.

Industries Affected

Transportation

Automotive

Topics

Autonomous Vehicles

Bill Sponsors

Name	Party	Role
Harris		Primary
Kyle		Primary
Forgety		Primary
Tracy		Primary
Littleton		Primary
Bowling		Primary
Vital		Primary
Glynn		Primary

Roll Call Votes

Date	Description	Yea	Nay	Result
2026-03-17	HOUSE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE: Rec. for pass. if	19	0	Passed
2026-03-10	HOUSE TRANSPORTATION SUBCOMMITTEE: Rec for pass if	8	1	Passed

Amendments

- HA0701 — 2026-03-18 (Not Adopted)

Related Bills

- SB0310 (TN)

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