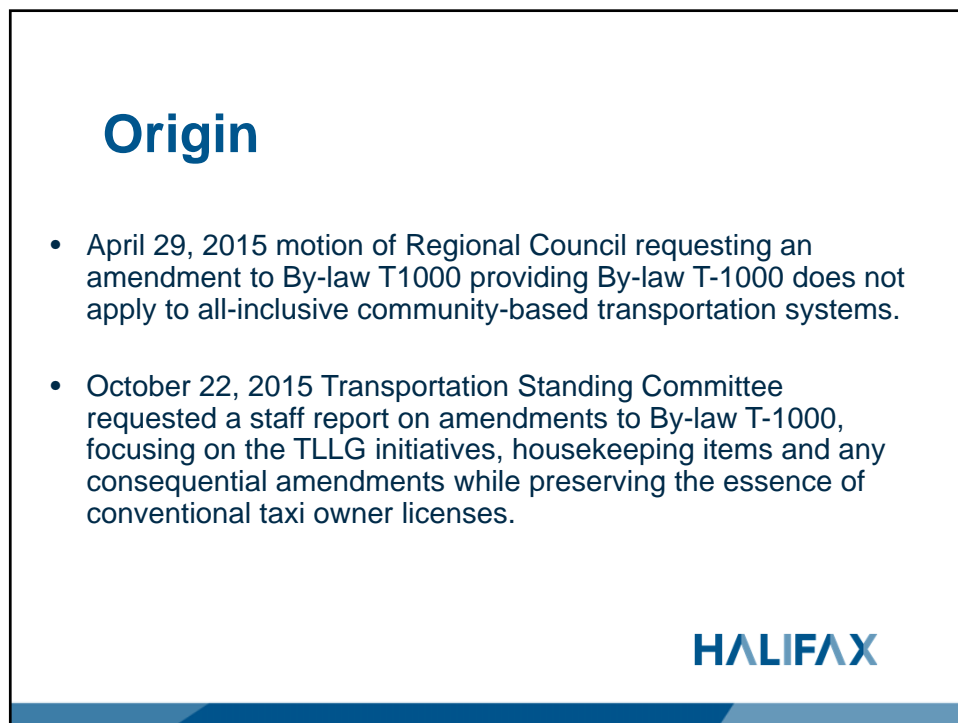
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**Amendments to By-law T-1000 and**  
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**Origin**

- April 29, 2015 motion of Regional Council requesting an amendment to By-law T1000 providing By-law T-1000 does not apply to all-inclusive community-based transportation systems.
- October 22, 2015 Transportation Standing Committee requested a staff report on amendments to By-law T-1000, focusing on the TLLG initiatives, housekeeping items and any consequential amendments while preserving the essence of conventional taxi owner licenses.

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## Recommendations

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## Amendments

### TLLG Initiatives

- Introduction of a Taxicab Passenger/Operator Code of Ethics
- Bridge Tolls – currently, the bridge fee that applies is the MacPass rate of \$0.80, recommendation is to charge the “cash fare of the day”, currently \$1.00;
- Accessible Taxi – recommendation to enhance visibility by mandatory roof-lights, accessible decals on 4 sides of vehicle;
  - drivers will be held accountable to ensure mobility aids and passenger securement devices are applied; and
- Owner/Operator – recommendation that drivers claiming a physical disability must provide updated medical document at renewal; and
  - new vehicles entering the industry must be 7 years of age or newer, the current fleet of vehicles are grandfathered.

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## Amendments Cont.

### New Requirements

- By-law exclusion - the by-law will not apply to all-inclusive community-based transportation systems;
- The smoking of e-cigarettes will be prohibited by the driver and passengers in a licensed vehicle for hire;
- Corporately held licenses no-longer transferable on the sale of the company.
- Ignition Alcohol Interlock Devices – recommendation to restrict such devices in a licensed vehicle for hire as supported by Appeals Standing Committee; and
- Summary conviction penalty amounts – current section amended to be consistent with other HRM by-laws and fine amounts.

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## Amendments Cont.

### Clarification

- Criminal record check requirements for corporations and individuals who do not hold a driver license;
- NS vehicle permit title and plates must be in the same name as the license holder and/or commercial lessor;
- Insurance policy must be in the name of the license holder; and
- Cancellation or suspension of license may not occur in circumstances of medical accommodation.

### Housekeeping

- Appeal application process – amending the current section to be consistent with other HRM by-laws appeal processes; and
- Additional amendments correcting grammatical and wording issues.

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## Community Engagement

Discussions surrounding the proposed By-law and Administrative Order were held at meetings of the Taxi Limousine Liaison Group(TLLG), Halifax Taxi Drivers Owners Association and the HRM Accessibility Advisory Committee.

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