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On behalf of Coop Taxi, the 3 representatives are Daljit Singh and Dhawal Patel who will be presenting together and one for Kamaljit Grewal that will be speaking are speak on the comparison of the rules and standards of taxi and ridesharing companies.

Both companies are providing the same kind of services, so the rules and standards should be the same. For example, Cameras in the vehicles are only mandatory in Taxis, other ridesharing companies do not have them because they say that they are Part Time even though more than 50% are operating full time. They should be providing public safety too as we are. Our taxi inspections are done by the city or the city police like usual while they should be allowed to be done by any brokers. Brokers should also be allowed to decide the size of our decals, because ridesharing companies dont even have decals. Also during our inspections, if any sort of fog light or other small parts are not working, they take off our decals and do not permit our driving for up to 4 days, and if it's a long weekend then have to wait even longer. This is an issue to us because it does not seem like a big deal as half of the vehicles do not even have a fog light. If we have to do it that way then all ridesharing companies should have to follow the same law. Companies like Uber also have no Vehicle age limit while for us taxis it's only an under 8 year old limit. Ridesharing companies drivers are doing personal runs and are also take flag fare, this is wrong and some sort of action should be taken against it for sure. We Also want to discuss how other ridesharing companies do criminal record checks online while we have a long unnecessary procedure of actually having to go to the police station for the procedure. At the same time SGI also requires the criminal record checks for all of the taxi drivers, and this doubles the work for us.