

File No. 110908

Committee Item No. 5
Board Item No. 12

COMMITTEE/BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Committee: Government Audit & Oversight

Date: October 13, 2011

Board of Supervisors Meeting

Date: 10.25.11

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Completed by: Andrea S. Ausberry

Date October 6, 2011

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1 [Urging the Municipal Transportation Agency to Halt Action on the Transfer of Credit Card
2 Charges to Taxi Cab Drivers]

3 **Resolution urging the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency to reconsider**
4 **and abandon the decision to shift the burden of credit card merchant charges to the**
5 **city cab drivers.**

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7 WHEREAS, Municipal Transportation Agency (MTA), seeks to overturn San Francisco
8 Transportation Code Section 1106 (p)(6), that forbids cab companies from charging cab
9 drivers a fee for the redemption of credit card charges; and,

10 WHEREAS, This change would allow companies to charge city taxi drivers a fee of 5
11 percent for every credit card transaction; and,

12 WHEREAS, Cab drivers will be discouraged to accept credit card payments as a result
13 of the fee-shift; and,

14 WHEREAS, This action will make it more difficult for residents and visitors to use credit
15 cards, placing an unnecessary burden on the population and conflicting with the city's interest
16 in insuring public interest and welfare; and,

17 WHEREAS, The proposed action will make cab drivers more susceptible to robbery
18 and assault as they will be carrying larger amounts of cash, making worse the dangers that
19 cab drivers face and in spite of the fact that cab drivers are victim to the highest homicide rate
20 of workers in the United States; and,

21 WHEREAS, It is unfair to pass legitimate costs of doing business onto workers,
22 creating a financial burden and further limiting opportunities of workers who have no
23 guaranteed wage, no benefits, and no retirement plans; now, therefore, be it
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1 RESOLVED, That the San Francisco Board of Supervisors urges the MTA and the
2 MTA Commission to reconsider its policy to pass credit card fees to city cab drivers; and, be it

3 FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San
4 Francisco directs the Clerk of the Board to send a copy of this resolution to the Director of the
5 Municipal Transportation Agency and the secretary of the San Francisco Municipal
6 Transportation Agency Commission.

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File 110908: Taxi credit card fees

Board of Supervisors to: Carmen Chu, David Campos, David Chiu,
Eric L Mar, John Avalos, Ross Mirkarimi,
Sean Elsbernd, Malia Cohen, Scott Wiener,

10/18/2011 12:46 PM

From: Ron <ronwolter@earthlink.net>
To: board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org
Date: 10/15/2011 03:26 PM
Subject: Taxi credit card fees

Dear Supervisors,

I urge you to approve the resolution about Taxi credit card fees.

The MTA's action to charge a 5% fee to taxi drivers is wrong and excessive. Companies that install Verifone TV advertising in the Taxis are the companies that are able to pass this charge on to the drivers - that's just downright strange.

Thank you,
Ron Wolter
SF Taxi Driver

INTRODUCTION FORM

By a member of the Board of Supervisors or the Mayor

Time Stamp or
Meeting Date

I hereby submit the following item for introduction:

- 1. For reference to Committee:
 An Ordinance, Resolution, Motion, or Charter Amendment
- 2. Request for next printed agenda Without Reference to Committee
- 3. Request for Committee Hearing on a subject matter
- 4. Request for letter beginning "Supervisor _____ inquires..."
- 5. City Attorney request
- 6. Call matter from Committee (File Number: _____)
- 7. Budget Analyst request (attach written Motion)
- 8. Substitute Legislation (File Number: _____)
- 9. Request for Closed Session
- 10. Board to Sit as a Committee of the Whole
- 11. Question(s) submitted for Mayoral Appearance before the BOS on _____

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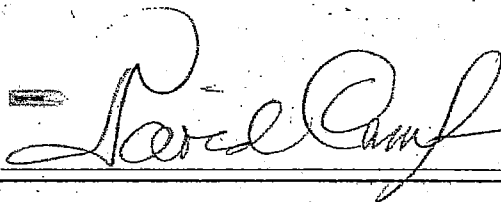
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Sponsor(s): Campos

Subject: Resolution Urging the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency to Halt Action on the Transfer of Credit Card Charges to Taxi Cab Drivers

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Signature of Sponsoring Supervisor: _____



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