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## **Rep. Allen Supports Two Bipartisan Proposals: New Ridesharing Standards and Protecting WI. Waterways**

**Madison** –In order to meet individual transportation needs in an era of improved communications, state Representative Scott Allen (R-Waukesha) voted to standardize rules for ridesharing companies across the state.

“Technology provides for an efficient means of transportation be provided to individuals and an expansion of entrepreneurship,” said Rep. Allen. “By setting statewide standards, we can protect riders through reasonable requirements on rideshare companies and the service providers.”

[Assembly Bill 143](#) requires ridesharing companies, such as Uber and Lyft, to be licensed by the state, carry up to \$1 million in insurance and to conduct background checks on drivers.

“This bill will expand ride options, expand economic opportunity and enhance passenger safety,” said Rep. Allen. AB 143 was approved in the Assembly by a large margin and now heads to the state Senate for consideration.

In another bipartisan effort, Rep. Allen cast his vote to ban microbeads in consumer products.

Microbeads are small, non-biodegradable plastic particles, which have been used as a main component in personal care products including exfoliating soap and toothpaste. As the beads transfer from the product into the pipes of your home, they reach water treatment plants that can’t filter out the tiny beads causing them to be released into Lake Michigan and other local water systems. “Microbeads are a problem for our lakes and streams,” said Rep. Allen. “I am pleased that we came together to help keep our water clean.”

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