

LAST WEEK IN INNOVATIVE MOBILITY

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VEHICLES

The Michigan Legislature passes three bills that would allow the purchase and use of automated vehicles on public roads. The proposals would also allow automated ridesourcing vehicles to legally operate without drivers. Companies would need to meet federal motor vehicle safety standards and testing requirements before operating.

CARSHARING

In the San Francisco Bay Area, Getaround partners with City CarShare to gain access to the nonprofit's 200 vehicles and 20,000 active members. City CarShare will continue to operate as an independent nonprofit, and members will now arrange rentals through the Getaround app.



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Daimler launches its own carsharing app called CROOVE, which will be pilot tested in Munich and rolled out to other markets if successful. The app allows private vehicle owners to share their car with others for short-term rental, regardless of vehicle make.

RIDESOURCING/TNCS

The San Francisco Treasurer's Office estimates that up to 45,000 ridesourcing drivers are operating in San Francisco, up from the office's count of 37,000 taken in April. TNCS are not currently required to provide the level of data needed to adequately explore whether the services negatively impact traffic congestion in the city.



CARSHARING

Nissan announces a carsharing program for their new 'Micra' hatchback, set to launch in Paris later this year. The service will use algorithms that leverage social media and geo-localization to match compatible owners who have similar vehicle needs. The program will allow groups to purchase a shared vehicle, with monthly invoicing based on usage.

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