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#### **AUTOMATED VEHICLES**

Mercedes-Benz receives the first government approval in the United States for a Level 3 driving feature. The technology, Drive Pilot, is now approved for operations in Nevada, but only at speeds lower than 40 miles per hour. Drive Pilot's automation allows drivers to take their hands and feet off the steering wheel and pedals, but they are required to keep their eyes on the road.

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## **AUTOMATED VEHCILES**

San Francisco, California wants to slow the expansion of automated vehicles in the city. Cruise and Waymo currently operate AVs in the city, and they are both competing to offer 24-hour automated taxi service. San Francisco would like limited, incremental expansions rather than unlimited authorizations going forward.



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Ford's BlueCruise is Consumer Report's top-rated active driving assistance program. BlueCruise is a hands-free driving feature that can take over a vehicle's steering, braking, and acceleration functions. BlueCruise came in first out of the 12 systems tested by Consumer Reports.

## **ELECTRIC VEHICLES**

New York City wants all Lyft and Uber cars to be electric by 2030. The initiative builds on the city's existing plan to electrify its own vehicle fleets. While Lyft and Uber already have plans to increase the number of electric vehicles in their fleets, concerns exist regarding drivers' ability to afford these more expensive vehicle types.

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#### TNCs/RIDEHAILING

**Lyft launches a new sustainability dashboard for companies using the Lyft Business Portal.** The business portal helps streamline ground transportation for various organizations. The new platform will provide information on total emissions, emissions by fuel type, emissions by program, and available downloadable data.

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