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Add at the end of subtitle A of title XVIII the following new section:

SEC. 18. AUTHORIZATION OF USE OF FUNDS FOR IMPROVED TRANSPORTATION FLEXIBILITY IN ASSISTANCE TO HOMELESS VETERANS.

Subchapter VII of chapter 20 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

“§ 2069. Authorization of use of certain funds for improved transportation flexibility in assistance to homeless veterans

“(a) PARTNERSHIPS.—The Secretary may establish partnerships with rideshare companies to allow programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs that service homeless veterans to facilitate transportation to support the stability and health of eligible veterans (such as for appointments with service providers, conducting housing and employment searches, and obtaining food and supplies).
“(b) Authorization.—The Secretary may use funds made available to the Department for fiscal year 2024 to carry out sections 2011, 2012, 2031, and 2061 of this title, as the Secretary determines appropriate.

“(c) Eligible Veteran Defined.—In this section, the term ‘eligible veteran’ includes homeless veterans and veterans participating in the program carried out under section 8(o)(19) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)(19)) (commonly referred to as ‘HUD–VASH’).”.