

1977 Senate Bill 277

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CHAPTER 405, Laws of 1977

AN ACT to amend 218.01 (3) (a) 22 of the statutes, relating to specifying the dealer's labor rate for automobile warranty repairs.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 218.01 (3) (a) 22 of the statutes is amended to read:

218.01 (3) (a) 22. Being a manufacturer, factory branch or distributor who for the protection of the buying public fails to specify the delivery and preparation obligations of ~~his~~ its dealers prior to delivery of new motor vehicles to retail buyers. A copy of the delivery and preparation obligations of its dealers shall be filed with the division of motor vehicles by every licensed motor vehicle manufacturer, factory branch or distributor and shall constitute the dealer's only responsibility for product liability as between the dealer and the manufacturer, factory branch or distributor. Any mechanical, body or parts defects arising from any express or implied warranties of the manufacturer or importer shall constitute the manufacturer's or importer's product or warranty liability. The manufacturer, factory branch or distributor shall reasonably compensate any authorized dealer who performs work to rectify the manufacturer's or importer's product or warranty defects or delivery and preparation obligations. A manufacturer, factory branch or distributor shall pay the dealer who performs work to rectify the manufacturer's or importer's product or warranty defects at a labor rate equal to the effective labor rate charged all customers.
