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AN ACT to amend 218.01 (3) (a) 17 of the statutes, relating to nonrenewal of a motor vehicle dealership or distributor franchise.

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

SECTION 1. 218.01 (3) (a) 17 of the statutes is amended to read:

218.01 (3) (a) 17. Being a manufacturer, factory branch, distributor, field representative, officer, agent or any representative whatsoever of such motor vehicle manufacturer or factory branch, who has unfairly, without due regard to the equities of said dealer and without just provocation, canceled or failed to renew the franchise of any motor vehicle dealer; or being a manufacturer, factory branch or importer, who unfairly, without due regard to the equities of a distributor and without just provocation canceled or failed to renew the franchise of any distributor. All existing dealers' franchises shall continue in full force and operation under a newly appointed distributor on the termination of an existing distributor unless a mutual agreement of cancellation is filed with the department between the newly appointed distributor and such dealer. ~~The nonrenewal of a franchise or selling agreement without just provocation or cause shall be deemed an evasion of this section and shall constitute an unfair cancellation.~~

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