

Chapter Ag 111

LEAF TOBACCO, BUYING AND SELLING

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(1) For any tobacco buyer to attempt to induce another tobacco buyer:

(a) To refrain from paying more than a stated price for any kind or grade of tobacco, either directly or in the form of some bonus, concession or otherwise.

(b) To limit his purchases of certain kinds, lots, crops or grades of tobacco.

(c) To confine his negotiations for the purchase of tobacco within a prescribed area.

(d) To refuse to negotiate for the purchase of tobacco before or after a certain date or to restrict his purchase negotiations to a limited period of time.

(e) To engage in any plan of intermittent or cyclic buying activity which may result in a reduction of market prices for tobacco.

(2) For any tobacco buyer to refuse to negotiate with any grower for the purchase of tobacco because such tobacco was graded or submitted for grade.

(3) For any tobacco buyer, in his purchase negotiations with a grower:

(a) To falsely represent that any particular lot or crop of tobacco was purchased at less than the price actually paid therefor.

(b) To falsely represent that any other tobacco buyer has or will presently cease buying.

(4) For any tobacco buyer to purchase tobacco under any contract which does not include a specific time within which delivery and payment are to be made.

Ag 111.02 Cease and desist. All persons engaged in the business of buying and selling leaf tobacco in this state shall forthwith cease and desist from using any of the foregoing methods of competition and trade practices in such business.