

It is an unfair or deceptive trade practice within the meaning of Title 13 of this article for a seller to:

(10) SOLICIT A SALE OR ORDER FOR SALE OF GOODS OR SERVICES AT THE RESIDENCE OF A PROSPECTIVE BUYER, WITHOUT CLEARLY, AFFIRMATIVELY AND EXPRESSLY REVEALING AT THE TIME THE PERSON INITIALLY CONTACTS THE PROSPECTIVE BUYER, AND BEFORE MAKING ANY OTHER STATEMENT, EXCEPT A GREETING, OR ASKING THE PROSPECTIVE BUYER ANY OTHER QUESTIONS[[, THAT THE PURPOSE OF THE CONTACT IS TO EFFECT A SALE, BY DOING ALL OF THE FOLLOWING]]:

(I) [[STATING]] THE IDENTITY OF THE PERSON MAKING THE SOLICITATION.

(II) [[STATING]] THE TRADE NAME OF THE PERSON REPRESENTED BY THE PERSON MAKING THE SOLICITATION.

(III) [[STATING]] THE KIND OF GOODS OR SERVICES BEING [DEMONSTRATED OR] OFFERED [FOR SALE]].

(IV) AND, THE PERSON MAKING THE SOLICITATION SHALL, IN ADDITION TO MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS OF PARAGRAPHS (I), (II), AND (III), SHOW [[OR]] AND DISPLAY IDENTIFICATION WHICH STATES THE INFORMATION REQUIRED BY PARAGRAPHS (I) AND (II) AS WELL AS THE ADDRESS OF THE PLACE OF BUSINESS OF ONE OF THE PERSONS IDENTIFIED.

(11) TO USE ANY PLAN, SCHEME, OR RUSE IN SOLICITING A SALE OR ORDER FOR THE SALE OF GOODS OR SERVICES AT THE RESIDENCE OF A PROSPECTIVE BUYER, WHICH MISREPRESENTS THE SOLICITOR'S TRUE STATUS OR MISSION FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING THE SALE OR ORDER FOR THE SALE OF GOODS OR SERVICES.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1976.

Approved April 13, 1976.

CHAPTER 157

(House Bill 195)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Commission on the Status of Women

FOR the purpose of changing the name of the Commission on the Status of Women to the Maryland Commission for Women; changing an obsolete agency designation; and clarifying language.