

VEHICLES, NEW CLASS B VEHICLES, OR NEW COMPLETED TWO-STAGE VEHICLES;

(2) DIRECTS AND SUPERVISES ITS REPRESENTATIVES IN THIS STATE; OR

(3) SUPERVISES OR CONTACTS ITS DEALERS OR PROSPECTIVE DEALERS IN THIS STATE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived from Art. 66 1/2, §1-125.1.

The definition is revised to cover factory branches of any "manufacturer", as defined in subsection (e) of this section; i.e., not only manufacturers of Class A or Class B vehicles, but, also, second-stage manufacturers of two-stage vehicles, as well. Ch. 425, Acts of 1976, which enacted the new regulations governing two-stage vehicles, did not expressly cover factory branches; however, consistency and an extrapolation of ultimate intent from the provisions of that Act, strongly suggest the inclusion of these factory branches here: (i) the general effect and obvious intent of the source law to this subtitle - as it predates Ch. 425, Acts of 1976 - was to require the licensing of factory branches of all manufacturers who themselves would be required to be licensed; (ii) Ch. 425, Acts of 1976, clearly - albeit in shorthand fashion - was intended to require second-stage manufacturers (and their distributors) to be licensed under this subtitle; (iii) if second-stage manufacturers are required to be licensed, their branch offices should be required to be licensed, as well. This result apparently was the intent of Ch. 425, Acts of 1976, as explained to the Commission by the Administration, which "sponsored" this legislation. Note also that throughout this subtitle, the present law tends to treat manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches alike as to Class A and Class B vehicles; there certainly appears to be no reason to do otherwise as to two-class vehicles.

As to the phrase "new Class A ... or Class B vehicles", see §15-101(c) of this title. As to the term "two-stage vehicles", see §15-101(d) of this title. As to the term "second-stage manufacturer", see subsection (f) of this section and §13-113.2 of this article.

(D) LICENSE.