

LICENSEE TO CONDUCT THE BUSINESS OF A MANUFACTURER, DISTRIBUTOR, OR FACTORY BRANCH, AS THE CASE MAY BE, DURING THE LICENSE YEAR FOR WHICH IT IS ISSUED.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from Art. 66 1/2, §5-705.

The first clause of present §5-705 (a), which governs the issuance of a license, and the provisions of present §5-705 (b) and (c), which govern supplemental and duplicate licenses, are deleted as already covered by the standard provisions of §§ 15-104, 15-105, and 15-107 of this title.

The only other changes are in style.

15-207. COERCION OF DEALER PROHIBITED.

(A) "COERCE" DEFINED.

IN THIS SECTION:

(1) "COERCE" MEANS TO COMPEL OR ATTEMPT TO COMPEL BY THREAT OF HARM, BREACH OF CONTRACT, OR OTHER ADVERSE CONSEQUENCES; AND

(2) "COERCE" DOES NOT MEAN TO ARGUE, URGE, RECOMMEND, OR PERSUADE.

(B) IN GENERAL.

A MANUFACTURER, DISTRIBUTOR, OR FACTORY BRANCH, WHETHER DIRECTLY OR THROUGH AN AGENT, EMPLOYEE, OR REPRESENTATIVE, MAY NOT:

(1) COERCE ANY DEALER TO MAKE ANY AGREEMENT WITH THE MANUFACTURER, DISTRIBUTOR, OR FACTORY BRANCH; OR

(2) COERCE ANY DEALER TO ORDER OR ACCEPT DELIVERY OF ANY VEHICLE, ANY EQUIPMENT, PARTS, OR ACCESSORIES FOR A VEHICLE, OR ANY OTHER COMMODITY THAT IS NOT REQUIRED BY LAW OR BY THE DEALER'S FRANCHISE OR THAT WAS NOT ORDERED VOLUNTARILY BY THE DEALER.

REVISOR'S NOTE: Subsection (a) of this section is new language derived without substantive change from Art. 66 1/2, §1-108.1. It is placed here since this is the only section in the Maryland Vehicle Law in which the term is used in the sense defined.

The balance of this section presently appears as Art. 66 1/2, §5-706(a) (1) and (2).

In subsection (b) of this section, the present references to an "attempt to coerce" any