

(6) IF THE PENALTY IMPOSED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS A DIRECT "PASS-THROUGH" TO A LESSEE, THE LESSEE SHALL HAVE A RIGHT TO RECOVER THAT AMOUNT FROM THE OWNER.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1993.

Approved May 11, 1993.

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**CHAPTER 310**

**(House Bill 537)**

AN ACT concerning

**Vehicle Laws – Licensing of Businesses and Occupations – Manufacturers, Distributors, and Factory Branches**

FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “manufacturer” to include, in the case of trucks, a person engaged in the business of manufacturing engines, power trains, or rear axles, under certain circumstances.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Transportation

Section 15–201

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1992 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article – Transportation**

15–201.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) “Distributor” means a distributor who is authorized by the manufacturer or the manufacturer’s authorized importer to enter into franchise agreements with dealers of:

(1) New motor vehicles constructed or assembled outside of the United States; or

(2) New two-stage vehicles completed outside of the United States by a second-stage manufacturer.

(c) “Factory branch” means a branch office of a manufacturer from which the manufacturer: