Article - Commercial Law

11-1302.1.

IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS SUBTITLE, WHEN NOTIFYING A DISTRIBUTOR OF A PROPOSED CANCELLATION OR NONRENEWAL OF ANY AGREEMENT, A GRANTOR SHALL PROVIDE A NOTICE OF THE DISTRIBUTOR'S FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH A REASONABLE REQUIREMENT OF THE AGREEMENT AND AN OPPORTUNITY TO CURE OR DISPUTE THE ASSERTED DEFICIENCY.

11-1306.

If a dispute arises between the grantor and the distributor relating to THE APPLICATION OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE REQUIREMENTS OF § 11-1302.1 OF THIS SUBTITLE, the notice of cancellation or nonrenewal, the plan for the correction of the deficiencies described by the grantor as the reasons for cancellation or nonrenewal, whether or not the distributor has complied with the plan and corrected the deficiencies described by the grantor as the reasons for cancellation or nonrenewal, or the purchase price or fair market value of any merchandise subject to repurchase under § 11-1304 of this subtitle, the grantor and distributor ON THE REQUEST OF EITHER PARTY shall submit the dispute to arbitration IN THE STATE under the Maryland Uniform Arbitration Act.

11 - 1307.

- (a) The laws of the State shall apply to agreements under this subtitle to which a distributor with a principal place of business in the State is a party. This subtitle shall be construed to provide the minimum terms and conditions applicable to grantors and distributors covered by this subtitle.
- (b) This subtitle does not limit or restrict the rights of a grantor or distributor at any time to seek in the State all legal and equitable remedies for any violation of this subtitle or any material breach of an agreement.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason in a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and for this purpose the provisions of this Act are declared severable.

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SECTION 2-2-3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall apply to all distributorships in existence on or after October July 1, 1999.