

(viii) the purchase or lease of or agreement to purchase or lease, at its fair market value, real property that is needed to [do business] ENTER INTO THE BUSINESS OR CONTINUE THE BUSINESS under a franchise agreement; and

14-203.

(b) (2) For purposes of this section, an offer to sell is not made in the State [if the offer is made in] ONLY BECAUSE THE FRANCHISOR CIRCULATES OR THERE IS CIRCULATED ON THE FRANCHISOR'S BEHALF IN THE STATE an advertisement in:

(i) a newspaper or other publication of general, regular, and paid circulation that has had two-thirds of its circulation outside the State during the past 12 months; or

(ii) a radio or television broadcast that originates outside the State and is received in the State.

14-208.

The Commissioner may:

(1) investigate in or outside the State to:

(i) [find out] DETERMINE if a person has violated this subtitle or a regulation adopted or order passed under it;

14-210.

(b) (2) The court shall:

(i) [find out] DETERMINE if a violation of this subtitle has been or is about to be committed; and

14-212.

In connection with an investigation or proceeding under this subtitle, the Commissioner may:

(3) issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses to:

(I) testify; or

(II) [to] produce evidence.

14-214.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle, a person must register the offer of a franchise with the Commissioner before the person offers to sell, through advertisement or otherwise, or sells the franchise in the State.

(b) The registration requirement of this section does not apply to: