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Abstract: Removes certain licensing and compliance requirements for motor vehicle manufacturers and related entities.

<u>Present law</u> imposes additional licensing and compliance requirements for motor vehicle manufacturers, distributors, wholesalers, converters or secondary manufacturers, distributors or wholesalers, factory branches and distributor branches licensed by the Motor Vehicle Commission, which require the following:

- (1) A manufacturer, converter or secondary manufacturer, distributor or wholesaler, factory branch and distributor branch applications or otherwise, to provide information relating to the applicant's financial standing and whether the applicant has an established place of business.
- (2) All manufacturers, converters or secondary manufacturers, distributors or wholesalers, factory branches and distributor branches to provide a suitable office and have a permanently affixed sign in front of the establishment.
- (3) All manufacturers, converters or secondary manufacturers, distributors or wholesalers, factory branches and distributor branches have a usable telephone at the place of business, the number of which should be listed on the application for license, and also listed in a local directory accessible to the public, where applicable. The commission be notified of any change in the telephone number.
- (4)(a) The license issued to each manufacturer, converter or secondary manufacturer, distributor or wholesaler, factory branch or distributor branch specify the location of the office or factory, or branch thereof, and the makes, models, or classifications of motor vehicles, recreational products, or specialty vehicles to be manufactured, distributed, or converted. The license issued to any manufacturer, converter or secondary manufacturer, distributor or wholesaler, factory branch or distributor branch specify the location of such manufacturer's established place of business.
- (b) A new application and license when a change of location, or a change in corporate ownership or majority ownership, or a change in the name of a licensee, or a change by a licensee in the makes, models, or classifications, requiring an addendum to a franchise agreement, of motor vehicles, recreational products, or specialty vehicles manufactured, distributed, or converted, or the addition of a make of motor vehicle or recreational product manufactured, distributed,

or converted occurs.

- (5) The commission to consider the financial standing of the applicant and the adequacy of the applicant's established place of business for the purpose for which a license is sought when determining whether or not to issue a license to a manufacturer, converter or secondary manufacturer, distributor or wholesaler, factory branch and distributor branch.
- (6) Upon execution of a franchise, or addendum thereto, with a motor vehicle dealer, recreational products dealer, or specialty vehicle dealer, the manufacturer, distributor, wholesaler, or a convertor or secondary manufacturer immediately file with the commission a copy of the franchise or addendum.

Proposed law repeals present law.

(Repeals R.S. 32:1254(D))