Legislative Analysis



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House Bill 5606

Sponsor: Rep. Aric Nesbitt Committee: Commerce

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5606 AS INTRODUCED 5-28-14

The bill would amend the state's automobile franchise law to prohibit a motor vehicle manufacturer from preventing, prohibiting, or coercing a new motor vehicle dealer from charging any consumer any fee or charge that state law allows the dealer to charge. This prohibition also applies to attempts by the manufacturer to engage in such conduct.

The bill is an amendment to Section 14 of Public Act 118 of 1981, an act that, generally speaking, regulates dealings between manufacturers, distributors, wholesalers, dealers, and consumers of new motor vehicles. Section 14 contains a long list of prohibited conduct for manufacturers. "Manufacturers" are entities that manufacture or assemble new motor vehicles or a distributor, factory branch, or factory representative.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

The bill does not appear to have any fiscal impact on the state.

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