SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES ON SUNDAY
Act 66 of 1953

AN ACT to prohibit the opening of any retail or wholesale new and used car business on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, for the purpose of carrying on or engaging in the business of offering to buy, sell, exchange, trade or participate in the negotiation thereof of any type or kind of automobile, on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday.

History: 1953, Act 66, Imd. Eff. May 12, 1953.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

435.251 Motor vehicles; sale on Sunday unlawful, exception.

Sec. 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to engage in the business of buying, selling, trading or exchanging new, used or second-hand motor vehicles or offering to buy, sell, trade or exchange, or participate in the negotiation thereof, or attempt to buy, sell, trade or exchange any motor vehicle or interest therein, or of any written instrument pertaining thereto, on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday.

History: 1953, Act 66, Imd. Eff. May 12, 1953.

435.252 Conducting business on Sunday; exception.

Sec. 2. That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to keep open their establishment or place of business on the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, for any of the purposes mentioned in section 1 of this act: Provided, however, That nothing in this act shall apply to any person who conscientiously believes that the seventh day of the week, from sunset Friday to sunset Saturday, should be observed as the Sabbath and who actually refrains from conducting or engaging in the business of buying, selling or offering for sale motor vehicles, or performing other secular business on that date.

History: 1953, Act 66, Imd. Eff. May 12, 1953.

435.253 Violation of act; penalty.

Sec. 3. Any person, firm or corporation who violates or offends against the provisions of this act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by the laws of this state, or by the court, in its discretion, suspending or revoking the dealer's license to do business within the state, or by fine and imprisonment and suspension and/or revocation, in the discretion of the court.

History: 1953, Act 66, Imd. Eff. May 12, 1953.

435.254 Applicability of act.

Sec. 4. This act shall not apply to counties having a population under 130,000 inhabitants according to the latest or each succeeding federal decennial census.

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