1	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
2	1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)
3	COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
4	SENATE BILL NO. 604 By: Gollihare
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7	COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
8	An Act relating to motor vehicles; amending 47 O.S. 2021, Sections 562 and 564, as last amended by
9 10	Sections 2 and 4, Chapter 240, O.S.L. 2024 (47 O.S. Supp. 2024, Sections 562 and 564), which relate to definitions and licenses; modifying definitions;
11	defining terms; modifying list of entities requiring licensure; removing certain exception; amending
12	Section 1, Chapter 29, O.S.L. 2023 (47 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 564.3), which relates to dealer
13	<pre>management system providers; modifying definitions; requiring certain commercially reasonable data security standards; modifying entities not liable for</pre>
14	certain actions; modifying entities required to provide certain indemnification; prohibiting certain
15	actions by certain entities; defining certain term; amending 47 O.S. 2021, Section 565, as last amended
16	by Section 7, Chapter 240, O.S.L. 2024 (47 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 565), which relates to the denial,
17	revocation, or suspension of license; modifying reasons for which a license may be denied, revoked,
18	or suspended; removing language requiring certain dealer compliance; and providing an effective date.
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21	BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
22	SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2021, Section 562, as last
23	amended by Section 2, Chapter 240, O.S.L. 2024 (47 O.S. Supp. 2024,
24	Section 562), is amended to read as follows:

Section 562. The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in Sections 561 through 567, 572, 578.1, 579, and 579.1 of this title, shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

6 1. "Motor vehicle" means any motor-driven vehicle required to
7 be registered under the Oklahoma Vehicle License and Registration
8 Act. The term motor vehicle does not include:

9 a. recreational vehicles, as defined in the Recreational
10 Vehicle Franchise Act, or

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powersport vehicles;

12 2. "New motor vehicle dealer" means any person, firm, association, corporation, or trust not excluded by this paragraph 13 who sells, offers for sale, advertises to sell, receives deposits 14 for vehicles, leases, or displays new motor vehicles and holds a 15 bona fide contract or franchise in effect with a manufacturer or 16 distributor authorized by the manufacturer to make predelivery 17 preparation of such vehicles sold to purchasers and to perform post-18 sale work pursuant to the manufacturer's or distributor's warranty. 19 As used herein, "authorized predelivery preparation" means the 20 rendition by the dealer of services and safety adjustments on each 21 new motor vehicle in accordance with the procedure and safety 22 standards required by the manufacturer of the vehicle to be made 23 before its delivery to the purchaser. "Performance of authorized 24

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1 post-sale work pursuant to the warranty", as used herein, means the rendition of services which are required by the terms of the 2 warranty that stands extended to the vehicle at the time of its sale 3 and are to be made in accordance with the safety standards 4 5 prescribed by the manufacturer. The term includes premises or facilities at which a person engages only in the repair of motor 6 vehicles if repairs are performed pursuant to the terms of a 7 franchise and motor vehicle manufacturer's warranty. For the 8 9 purpose of Sections 561 through 567, 572, 578.1, 579, and 579.1 of this title, the terms new motor vehicle dealer and "new motor 10 vehicle dealership" shall be synonymous. The term new motor vehicle 11 dealer does not include: 12

- a. receivers, trustees, administrators, executors,
 guardians, or other persons appointed by or acting
 under judgment or order of any court,
- b. public officers while performing or in operation oftheir duties,
- c. employees of persons, corporations, or associations
 enumerated in subparagraph a of this paragraph when
 engaged in the specific performance of their duties as
 such employees, or
- 22 d. a powersports vehicle dealer;

3. "Motor vehicle salesperson" means any person, resident ornonresident, who, for gain or compensation of any kind, either

directly or indirectly, regularly or occasionally, by any form of agreement or arrangement, sells or negotiates for the sale, lease, or conveyance or arranges the financing of any new motor vehicle or powersports vehicle as an employee for any new motor vehicle dealer or powersports dealer to any one or more third parties;

6 4. "Commission" means the Oklahoma New Motor Vehicle7 Commission;

5. "Manufacturer" means any person, firm, association,
corporation, or partnership, trust, joint venture, or common entity
thereof, resident or nonresident, that manufactures or assembles new
and unused motor vehicles or new and unused powersport vehicles or
that engages in the fabrication or assembly of motorized vehicles of
a type required to be registered in this state;

14 6. "Distributor" means any person, firm, association,
15 corporation, or partnership, trust, joint venture, or common entity
16 thereof, resident or nonresident, that, being authorized by the
17 original manufacturer, in whole or in part sells or distributes new
18 and unused motor vehicles to new motor vehicle dealers or powersport
19 dealers, or that maintains distributor representatives;

7. "Factory branch" means any branch office maintained by a
person, firm, association, corporation, or partnership, trust, joint
venture, or common entity thereof that manufactures or assembles
motor vehicles or powersport vehicles for the sale of motor vehicles
or powersport vehicles to distributors, or for the sale of motor

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vehicles to new motor vehicle dealers, or for the sale of powersport
 vehicles to new powersport vehicle dealers, or for directing or
 supervising, in whole or in part, its representatives;

8. "Distributor branch" means any branch office similarly
maintained by a distributor for the same purposes a factory branch
is maintained;

9. "Factory representative" means any officer or agent engaged
as a representative of a manufacturer of motor vehicles or
powersport vehicles or by a factory branch, for the purpose of
making or promoting the sale of its motor vehicles or powersport
vehicles, or for supervising or contacting its dealers or
prospective dealers;

13 10. "Distributor representative" means any person, firm, 14 association, corporation, or <u>partnership</u>, trust<u>, joint venture, or</u> 15 <u>common entity thereof</u>, and each officer and employee thereof engaged 16 as a representative of a distributor or distributor branch of motor 17 vehicles or powersport vehicles, for the purpose of making or 18 promoting the sale of its motor vehicles or powersport vehicles, or 19 for supervising or contacting its dealers or prospective dealers;

20 11. "Franchise" means any contract or agreement between a new 21 motor vehicle dealer or a powersports vehicle dealer and a 22 manufacturer of a new motor vehicle or powersports vehicle or its 23 distributor or factory branch by which the new motor vehicle dealer 24 or new powersports vehicle dealer is authorized to engage in the

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1 activities of a new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle
2 dealer as defined by this section;

12. "New or unused motor vehicle" means a vehicle which is in the possession of the manufacturer or distributor or has been sold only to the holder of a valid franchise granted by the manufacturer or distributor for the sale of that make of new vehicle so long as the manufacturer's statement of origin has not been assigned to anyone other than a licensed franchised new motor vehicle dealer of the same line-make;

"Area of responsibility" means the geographical area, as 10 13. designated by the manufacturer, factory branch, factory 11 12 representative, distributor, distributor branch, or distributor representative, in which the new motor vehicle dealer or powersports 13 dealer is held responsible for the promotion and development of 14 sales and rendering of service for the make of motor vehicle or 15 powersports vehicle for which the new motor vehicle dealer or new 16 powersports vehicle dealer holds a franchise or selling agreement; 17

18 14. "Off premises" means at a location other than the address 19 designated on the new motor vehicle dealer's or new powersports 20 vehicle dealer's license;

21 15. "Sponsoring entity" means any person, firm, association, 22 corporation, or trust which has control, either permanently or 23 temporarily, over the real property upon which the off-premises sale 24 or display is conducted;

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1 16. "Product" means new motor vehicles and new motor vehicle
 2 parts or new powersports vehicle and new powersports vehicle parts;
 3 17. "Service" means motor vehicle or powersports vehicle
 4 warranty repairs including both parts and labor;

5 18. "Lead" means a consumer contact in response to a factory 6 program designed to generate interest in purchasing or leasing a new 7 motor vehicle or new powersports vehicle;

8 19. "Sell" or "sale" means to sell or lease;

9 20. "Factory" means a manufacturer, distributor, factory
10 branch, distributor branch; any common entity of a manufacturer,
11 <u>distributor, factory branch, or distributor branch; or</u> factory
12 representative, or distributor representative, which manufactures or
13 distributes vehicle products;

14 21. "Powersports vehicle" means any new or unused motorcycles, 15 scooters, mopeds, all-terrain vehicles, and utility vehicles 16 required to be registered under the Oklahoma Vehicle License and 17 Registration Act, with the exception of all-terrain vehicles, 18 utility vehicles, and motorcycles used exclusively for off-road use 19 which are sold by a retail implement dealer;

20 22. "Powersports vehicle dealer" means any person, firm, or 21 corporation, resident or nonresident, that is in the business of 22 selling any new powersports vehicles except for retail implement 23 dealers;

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1 23. "Retail implement dealer" means a business engaged primarily in the sale of farm tractors as defined in Section 1-118 2 of this title or implements of husbandry as defined in Section 1-125 3 of this title or a combination thereof and is exempt from licensing 4 5 by the Commission for the sale of all-terrain vehicles, utility vehicles, and motorcycles used exclusively for off-road use; 6 24. "Consumer data" means nonpublic personal information as 7 defined in 15 U.S.C., Section 6809(4) as it existed on January 1, 8 9 2023, that is: collected by a new motor vehicle dealer, and 10 a. provided by the new motor vehicle dealer directly to a 11 b. 12 manufacturer or third party acting on behalf of a manufacturer. 13 The term shall not include the same or similar data obtained by 14 a manufacturer from any source other than the new motor vehicle 15 dealer or new motor vehicle dealer's data management system; and 16 "Fleet vehicle" means a new motor vehicle sold and titled 25. 17 or registered to a business and used for business purposes only; and 18 "Common entity" means any person, firm, association, 19 26. a. corporation, partnership, trust, or joint venture 20 which: 21 (1) is directly or indirectly controlled by or has 22 more than thirty percent (30%) of its equity 23 24 interest directly or indirectly owned,

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1			beneficially or of record, through any form of
2			ownership structure, by a factory, manufacturer,
3			manufacturer branch, distributor, or distributor
4			branch, or
5		(2)	has more than thirty percent (30%) of its equity
6			interest directly or indirectly controlled or
7			owned, beneficially or of record, through any
8			form of ownership structure, by one or more
9			persons who also directly or indirectly control
10			or own, beneficially or of record, more than
11			thirty percent (30%) of the equity interests of
12			the factory, manufacturer, manufacturer branch,
13			distributor, or distributor branch.
14	b.	<u>An e</u>	ntity that would otherwise be considered a common
15		enti	ty of a distributor as provided in division 1 or 2
16		of s	ubparagraph a of this paragraph because of its
17		rela	tion to a distributor is not considered a common
18		enti	ty of that distributor if:
19		(1)	the distributor to which the entity is related
20			was a licensed distributor on March 1, 2025,
21		(2)	the entity is not a common entity of a
22			manufacturer or an importer, and
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1 the distributor to which the entity is related is (3) not, and has never been, a common entity of a manufacturer or an importer.

47 O.S. 2021, Section 564, as last AMENDATORY SECTION 2. 4 5 amended by Section 4, Chapter 240, O.S.L. 2024 (47 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 564), is amended to read as follows: 6

Section 564. A. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, 7 8 association, corporation, or partnership, trust, joint venture, or 9 common entity thereof, to engage in business as, or serve in the 10 capacity of, or act as a new motor vehicle dealer, powersports dealer, or manufacturer or distributor of new motor vehicles or 11 12 powersports vehicles, or factory branch, distributor branch or factory representative or distributor representative, as defined in 13 Section 562 of this title, in this state without first obtaining a 14 license therefor as provided for by law. Any person, firm, 15 association, corporation, or partnership, trust, joint venture, or 16 common entity thereof, engaging in more than one of such capacities 17 or having more than one place where such business is carried on or 18 conducted in this state shall be required to obtain and hold a 19 current license for each thereof. Provided that, a new motor 20 vehicle dealer's license shall authorize one person to sell in the 21 event such person shall be the owner of a proprietorship, or the 22 person designated as principal in the dealer's franchise or the 23 managing officer or one partner if no principal person is named in 24

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1 the franchise. It is further provided that a factory or an entity 2 affiliated by any ownership or control by the factory shall not be 3 permitted to engage in the activities of a new motor vehicle dealer 4 as defined in Section 562 of this title or be licensed as a new 5 motor vehicle dealer in this state, except as provided by 6 subparagraph b of paragraph 12 of Section 565 of this title.

Applications for licenses required to be obtained under the 7 Β. provisions of Section 561 et seq. of this title shall be verified by 8 9 the oath or affirmation of the applicant and shall be on forms prescribed by the Oklahoma New Motor Vehicle Commission and 10 furnished to the applicants, and shall contain information as the 11 12 Commission deems necessary to enable it to fully determine the 13 qualifications and eligibility of the several applicants to receive the license or licenses applied for. The Commission shall require 14 in such application, or otherwise, information relating to the 15 applicant's current financial standing, the applicant's business 16 integrity, whether the applicant has an established place of 17 business and is primarily engaged in the pursuit, avocation, or 18 business for which a license, or licenses, are applied for, and 19 whether the applicant is able to properly conduct the business for 20 which a license, or licenses, are applied for, and such other 21 pertinent information consistent with the safeguarding of the public 22 interest and the public welfare. All applications for license or 23 licenses shall be accompanied by the appropriate fee or fees 24

1 therefor in accordance with the schedule thereof hereinafter set 2 out. In the event any application is denied and the license applied for is not issued, the entire license fee shall be returned to the 3 applicant. All licenses issued under the provisions of Section 561 4 5 et seq. of this title shall expire on June 30, following the date of issue and shall be nontransferable. All applications for renewal of 6 a license for a new motor vehicle dealer, powersports dealer, 7 manufacturer, distributor, or manufacturer's or distributor's 8 9 representative shall be submitted by June 1 of each year, and such 10 license or licenses will be issued by July 1. If applications have not been made for renewal of licenses at the times described in this 11 12 subsection, it shall be illegal for any person to represent himself or herself and act as a dealer, manufacturer, distributor, or 13 manufacturer's or distributor's representative. Service Oklahoma 14 and licensed operators will be notified not to accept such dealers' 15 titles until such time as licenses have been issued by the 16 Commission. 17

18 C. The schedule of license fees to be charged and received by 19 the Commission for the licenses issued hereunder shall be as 20 follows:

For each factory branch or distributor branch, Four Hundred
 Dollars (\$400.00) initial fee with annual renewal fee of Three
 Hundred Dollars (\$300.00);

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For each manufacturer or distributor of new motor vehicles
 or new powersport vehicles, Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) initial
 fee with annual renewal fee of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00);

For each factory representative or distributor
 representative, One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) annually;

6 4. For each new motor vehicle dealer, except powersports
7 vehicle dealers, initial fee of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) per
8 franchise sold at each location licensed, with an annual renewal fee
9 of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per franchise sold at each location
10 licensed per year; and

5. For each powersports vehicle dealer, initial fee of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) per manufacturer represented by the dealer at each location licensed, with an annual renewal fee of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per manufacturer represented by the dealer at each location licensed per year.

D. The licenses issued to each new motor vehicle dealer, new 16 powersports vehicle dealer, manufacturer, distributor, factory 17 branch, or distributor branch shall specify the location of the 18 factory, office, or branch thereof. In case such location is 19 changed, the Commission may endorse the change of location on the 20 license without charge unless the change of address triggers a 21 relocation of a new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle 22 dealer pursuant to the provisions of Section 578.1 of this title. 23

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The licenses of each new vehicle dealer shall be posted in a
 conspicuous place in the dealer's place or places of business.

Every motor vehicle factory representative or distributor representative shall physically possess the license when engaged in business and shall display such upon request. The name of the employer of such factory representative or distributor representative shall be stated on the license.

8 E. The new powersports dealer license shall only allow the sale 9 of the specific types of powersports vehicles authorized by the 10 manufacturer and agreed to by the powersports dealer.

SECTION 3. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 29, O.S.L. 2023 (47 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 564.3), is amended to read as follows: Section 564.3. A. As used in this section:

14 1. "Access fee" means a requirement to pay money for access to
 15 protected dealer data that is in addition to an amount specified in
 16 a written and executed contract for goods and services;

17 2. "Authorized integrator" means a person who a dealer has a 18 contractual relationship with or the dealer otherwise gives express 19 written authorization to have access to protected dealer data stored 20 on a dealer data system or to write protected dealer data to the 21 dealer data system for the purpose of performing a specific function 22 for the dealer;

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3. "Dealer data system" means software, hardware, or firmware
 that a dealer leases or rents from a dealer management system
 provider for the purpose of storing protected dealer data;

4 4. "Dealer management system provider" means a person who, for
5 compensation, maintains and provides access to a dealer data system
6 in which a dealer stores protected dealer data;

- 7 5. "Protected dealer data" means:
- a. consumer data that a dealer generated or that the
 consumer provided to the dealer that is not otherwise
 publicly available and the consumer has not otherwise
 provided consent or acknowledgment to share the
 information, and
- b. any other dealer data in connection with the dealer's
 daily business operations in which a dealer has rights
 in a dealer data system; and

16 6. Authorized integrator and dealer management system provider17 do not include:

- a. a manufacturer, distributor, importer, factory or any
 entity that is a subsidiary or affiliate of, or acts
 on behalf of, a manufacturer, distributor, or importer
 factory, or
- b. a governmental body or other person that is acting in
 accordance with federal, state, or local law, or a
 valid court order.

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B. A dealer management system provider may:

Condition access and ability of a dealer or authorized
 integrator to receive, share, copy, use, write, or transmit
 protected dealer data from or to a dealer data system on the
 dealer's or authorized integrator's compliance with <u>commercially</u>
 reasonable data security standards;

7 2. Require an authorized integrator to have express written
8 authorization from a dealer before allowing the authorized
9 integrator to gain access to, receive, share, copy, use, or transmit
10 protected dealer data; and

Deny access to a dealer data system to a dealer if the
 dealer fails to pay an amount due to the dealer management system
 provider under a lease, contract, or other agreement concerning the
 dealer's access to or use of the dealer data system.

C. Except as provided in subsection B of this section, a dealer management system provider shall not take any action that would limit or prohibit the ability of a dealer or an authorized integrator to receive, protect, store, copy, share, or use protected dealer data using means that include, but are not limited to:

Imposing an access fee on a dealer or authorized integrator;
 and

Restricting a dealer or an authorized integrator from
 sharing protected dealer data or writing data or having access to a

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1 dealer data system. Prohibited restrictions pursuant to this
2 paragraph include, but are not limited to:

limits on the scope or nature of protected dealer data 3 a. to which a dealer or authorized integrator has access 4 5 or may share or write to a dealer data system, and a requirement for a dealer or authorized integrator to 6 b. provide sensitive or confidential business information 7 or information that a dealer or authorized integrator 8 9 uses for competitive purposes in return for access to protected dealer data or an authorization to share or 10 write protected dealer data to a dealer data system. 11

D. Except as otherwise provided in this section, any term or condition of a contract with a dealer management system provider that conflicts with the requirements set forth in subsection C of this section is void and unenforceable to the extent of the conflict.

17 E. An authorized integrator shall:

Obtain express written authorization from a dealer before
 gaining access to, receiving, sharing, copying, using, writing, or
 transmitting protected dealer data;

2. Comply with security standards in gaining access to,
 receiving, sharing, copying, using, writing, or transmitting
 protected dealer data; and

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3. Allow a dealer to withdraw, revoke, or amend any express
 written authorization the dealer provides under paragraph 1 of this
 subsection:

a. at the sole discretion of the dealer, if the dealer
gives a thirty-day prior notice to an authorized
integrator, or

b. immediately, for good cause.

1. This section does not prevent a dealer, a dealer 8 F. 9 management system provider, or an authorized integrator from discharging the obligations of a dealer, dealer management system 10 provider, or of an authorized integrator under federal, state, or 11 12 local law to secure and prevent unauthorized access to protected 13 dealer data, or from limiting the scope of the obligations, in accordance with federal, state, or local law. 14

2. A dealer management system provider is not liable for any 15 action that a dealer takes directly with respect to securing or 16 preventing unauthorized access to protected dealer data, or for 17 actions that an authorized integrator takes in appropriately 18 following the written instructions of the dealer for securing or 19 preventing unauthorized access to protected dealer data, to the 20 extent that the actions prevent the dealer management system 21 provider from meeting a legal obligation to secure or prevent 22 unauthorized access to protected dealer data. 23

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1 3. A dealer is not liable for any action that an authorized 2 integrator takes directly with respect to securing or preventing unauthorized access to protected dealer data, or for actions that 3 the authorized integrator takes in appropriately following the 4 5 written instructions of the dealer for securing or preventing unauthorized access to protected dealer data, to the extent that the 6 actions prevent the dealer from meeting a legal obligation to secure 7 or prevent unauthorized access to protected dealer data. 8

9 4. An authorized integrator is not liable for any action that a dealer takes directly with respect to securing or preventing 10 unauthorized access to protected dealer data, or for actions that 11 the dealer takes in appropriately following the written instructions 12 of the authorized integrator for securing or preventing unauthorized 13 access to protected dealer data, to the extent that the actions 14 prevent the authorized integrator from meeting a legal obligation to 15 secure or prevent unauthorized access to protected dealer data. 16

5. A manufacturer, distributor, importer, factory or any entity 17 that is a subsidiary or affiliate of, or acts on behalf of, a 18 manufacturer, distributor, or importer factory is not liable for any 19 action that a dealer, dealer management system provider, authorized 20 integrator, or other third party, except for a third party who the 21 manufacturer has provided the data to as provided for in paragraph 7 22 of this subsection, takes directly with respect to securing or 23 preventing unauthorized access to protected dealer data or for 24

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1 actions that an authorized integrator, dealer management system
2 provider, or other third party takes in appropriately following the
3 written instructions of the dealer for securing or preventing
4 unauthorized access to protected dealer data.

5 6. Notwithstanding any other agreement, an authorized 6 integrator shall indemnify and hold the new motor vehicle dealer 7 harmless from any third-party claims asserted against or damages 8 incurred by the new motor vehicle dealer to the extent caused by 9 access to, use of, or disclosure of consumer data in violation of 10 this section.

7. Notwithstanding any other agreement, a manufacturer, 11 12 distributor, importer, factory or any entity that is a subsidiary or affiliate of, or acts on behalf of, a manufacturer, distributor, or 13 importer factory shall indemnify the dealer for any third-party 14 claims asserted against or damages incurred by the dealer to the 15 extent the claims or damages are caused by the access to and 16 unlawful disclosure of protected dealer data resulting from a breach 17 caused by the manufacturer or distributor or a third party to which 18 the manufacturer or distributor has provided the protected dealer 19 data in violation of this section, the written consent granted by 20 the dealer, or other applicable state or federal law. 21

22 <u>G. A factory or any entity that acts on behalf of a factory</u> 23 <u>shall not prohibit an authorized integrator that has satisfied, or</u> 24 is compliant with, commercially reasonable data security standards

1	and that the dealer has identified as one of its authorized
2	integrators from integrating into the dealer's dealer data system or
3	place an unreasonable restriction on integration by an authorized
4	integrator or other third party that the dealer wishes to be an
5	authorized integrator. For the purposes of this subsection,
6	"unreasonable restriction" includes:
7	1. Imposing an access fee on a dealer or authorized integrator;
8	however, a franchisor or third party may charge a franchise or
9	authorized integrator for actual costs associated with modifications
10	to a franchisor's electronic systems to enable a secure interface
11	with the authorized integrator's system and software;
12	2. An unreasonable limitation or condition on the scope or
13	nature of the data that is shared with an authorized integrator;
14	3. An unreasonable limitation on the ability of the authorized
15	integrator to write data to a dealer data system;
16	4. An unreasonable limitation or condition on an authorized
17	integrator that accesses or shares protected dealer data or that
18	writes data to a dealer data system; and
19	5. Requiring unreasonable access to an authorized integrator's
20	sensitive, competitive, or other confidential business information
21	as a condition for accessing protected dealer data or sharing
22	protected dealer data with an authorized integrator.
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SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2021, Section 565, as last
 amended by Section 7, Chapter 240, O.S.L. 2024 (47 O.S. Supp. 2024,
 Section 565), is amended to read as follows:

Section 565. A. The Oklahoma New Motor Vehicle Commission may
deny an application for a license, revoke or suspend a license, or
impose a fine against any person or entity, not to exceed Ten
Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) per occurrence, that violates any
provision of Sections 561 through 567, 572, 578.1, 579, and 579.1 of
this title or for any of the following reasons:

1. On satisfactory proof of unfitness of the applicant in any
 application for any license under the provisions of Section 561 et
 seq. of this title;

13 2. For any material misstatement made by an applicant in any 14 application for any license under the provisions of Section 561 et 15 seq. of this title;

For any failure to comply with any provision of Section 561
 et seq. of this title or any rule promulgated by the Commission
 under authority vested in it by Section 561 et seq. of this title;

A change of condition after license is granted resulting in
 failure to maintain the qualifications for license;

21 5. Being a new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle
22 dealer who:

a. has required a purchaser of a new motor vehicle or new
powersports vehicle, as a condition of sale and

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- delivery thereof, to also purchase special features, appliances, accessories, or equipment not desired or requested by the purchaser and installed by the new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer,
- b. uses any false or misleading advertising in connection
 with business as a new motor vehicle dealer or new
 powersports vehicle dealer,
- 9 c. has committed any unlawful act which resulted in the
 10 revocation of any similar license in another state,
 11 d. has failed or refused to perform any written agreement
 - with any retail buyer involving the sale of a motor vehicle or powersports vehicle,
- e. has been convicted of a felony crime that
 substantially relates to the occupation of a new motor
 vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer and
 poses a reasonable threat to public safety,
- 18 f. has committed a fraudulent act in selling, purchasing, 19 or otherwise dealing in new motor vehicles or new 20 powersports vehicles or has misrepresented the terms 21 and conditions of a sale, purchase or contract for 22 sale or purchase of a new motor vehicle or new 23 powersports vehicle or any interest therein including 24 an option to purchase such vehicle,

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- 1 g. has failed to meet or maintain the conditions and 2 requirements necessary to qualify for the issuance of 3 a license, or
- h. completes any sale or transaction of an extended
 service contract, extended maintenance plan, or
 similar product using contract forms that do not
 conspicuously disclose the identity of the service
 contract provider;

9 6. Being a new motor vehicle salesperson who is not employed as10 such by a licensed new motor vehicle dealer;

11 7. Being a new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle12 dealer who:

- does not have an established place of business, 13 a. does not provide for a suitable repair shop separate b. 14 from the display room with ample space to repair or 15 recondition one or more vehicles at the same time, and 16 which is staffed with properly trained and qualified 17 repair technicians and is equipped with such parts, 18 tools, and equipment as may be requisite for the 19 servicing of motor vehicles in such a manner as to 20 make them comply with the safety laws of this state 21 and to properly fulfill the dealer's or manufacturer's 22 warranty obligation, 23
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1 с. does not hold a franchise in effect with a manufacturer or distributor of new or unused vehicles 2 for the sale of the same and is not authorized by the 3 manufacturer or distributor to render predelivery 4 5 preparation of such vehicles sold to purchasers and to perform any authorized post-sale work pursuant to the 6 manufacturer's or distributor's warranty, 7 d. employs or utilizes the services of used motor vehicle 8 9 lots or dealers or other unlicensed persons or unregistered persons in connection with the sale of 10 new vehicles, 11 12 e. does not properly service a new motor vehicle or new powersports vehicle before delivery of same to the 13 original purchaser thereof, or 14 f. fails to order and stock a reasonable number of new 15 motor vehicles necessary to meet consumer demand for 16 each of the new motor vehicles included in the new 17 motor vehicle dealer's franchise agreement, unless the 18

19 new motor vehicles are not readily available from the 20 manufacturer or distributor due to limited production; 21 8. Being a factory that has:

a. either induced or attempted to induce by means of
 coercion or intimidation, any new motor vehicle dealer
 or powersports vehicle dealer:

- (1) to accept delivery of any vehicle or vehicles,
 parts, or accessories therefor, or any other
 commodities including advertising material which
 shall not have been ordered by the new motor
 vehicle dealer,
- 6 (2) to order or accept delivery of any motor vehicle 7 or powersports vehicle with special features, 8 appliances, accessories, or equipment not 9 included in the list price of the vehicles as 10 publicly advertised by the manufacturer thereof, 11 or
 - (3) to order or accept delivery of any parts, accessories, equipment, machinery, tools, appliances, or any commodity whatsoever,

b. induced under threat or discrimination by the 15 withholding from delivery to a new motor vehicle 16 dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer certain 17 models of motor vehicles, changing or amending 18 unilaterally the new motor vehicle dealer's allotment 19 of motor vehicles, and/or withholding and delaying 20 delivery of the vehicles out of the ordinary course of 21 business, in order to induce by such coercion any new 22 motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer 23 to participate or contribute to any local or national 24

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1 advertising fund controlled directly or indirectly by 2 the factory or for any other purposes such as contest, "giveaways", or other so-called sales promotional 3 devices, and/or change of quotas in any sales contest; 4 5 or has required new motor vehicle dealers, as a condition to receiving their vehicle allotment, to 6 order a certain percentage of the vehicles with 7 optional equipment not specified by the dealer; 8 9 however, nothing in this section shall prohibit a 10 factory from supporting an advertising association which is open to all new motor vehicle dealers or new 11 12 powersports vehicle dealers on the same basis, с. used a performance standard, sales objective, or 13 program for measuring dealer performance that may have 14 a material effect on a right of the dealer to vehicle 15 allocation; or payment under any incentive or 16 reimbursement program that is unfair, unreasonable, 17 inequitable, and not based on accurate information, 18 d. used a performance standard for measuring sales or 19 service performance of, or which results in penalizing 20 or withholding a benefit from, any new motor vehicle 21 dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer under the 22 terms of the franchise agreement which: 23

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1	(1)	is unfair, unreasonable, arbitrary, or
2		inequitable, and
3	(2)	does not consider the relevant and material local
4		and state or regional criteria, including
5		prevailing economic conditions affecting the
6		sales or service performance of a vehicle dealer
7		or <u>and</u> any relevant and material data and facts
8		presented by the dealer in writing within thirty
9		(30) days of the written notice of the
10		manufacturer to the dealer of its intention to
11		cancel, terminate, or not renew the dealer's
12		franchise agreement, <u>and</u>
13	(3)	does not consider the actual vehicle allocation
14		offered or otherwise made available to the dealer
15		by the manufacturer or distributor, as well as
16		the dealer's inventory levels relevant to achieve
17		any minimum performance standards to which the

manufacturer or distributor holds the dealer accountable,

e. failed or refused to sell, or offer for sale, new
motor vehicles to all of its authorized same line-make
franchised new motor vehicle dealers or new
powersports vehicle dealers at the same price for a
comparably equipped motor vehicle, on the same terms,

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with no differential in functionally available discount, allowance, credit, or bonus, except as provided in subparagraph e of paragraph 9 of this subsection,

- 5 f. failed to provide reasonable compensation to a new motor vehicle dealer substantially equivalent to the 6 actual cost of providing a manufacturer required 7 loaner or rental vehicle to any consumer who is having 8 9 a vehicle serviced at the dealership. For purposes of this paragraph, actual cost is the average cost in the 10 new motor vehicle dealer's region for the rental of a 11 12 substantially similar make and model as the vehicle being serviced, or 13
- failed to make available to its new motor vehicle 14 q. dealers a fair and proportional share of all new 15 vehicles distributed to same line-make dealers in this 16 state, subject to the same reasonable terms, including 17 any vehicles distributed from a common new vehicle 18 inventory pool outside of the factory's ordinary 19 allocation process such as any vehicles the factory 20 reserves to distribute on a discretionary basis; 21
 - 9. Being a factory that:
- a. has attempted to coerce or has coerced any new motor
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enter into any agreement or to cancel any agreement; has failed to act in good faith and in a fair, equitable, and nondiscriminatory manner; has directly or indirectly coerced, intimidated, threatened, or restrained any new motor vehicle dealer; has acted dishonestly; or has failed to act in accordance with the reasonable standards of fair dealing,

b. has failed to compensate its dealers for the work and 8 9 services they are required to perform in connection with the dealer's delivery and preparation obligations 10 according to the agreements on file with the 11 12 Commission which must be found by the Commission to be 13 reasonable, or has failed to adequately and fairly compensate its dealers for labor, parts, and other 14 expenses incurred by the dealer to perform under and 15 comply with manufacturer's warranty agreements and 16 recall repairs which shall include diagnostic work as 17 applicable and assistance requested by a consumer 18 whose vehicle was subjected to an over-the-air or 19 remote change, repair, or update to any part, system, 20 accessory, or function by the manufacturer and 21 performed by the dealer in order to satisfy the 22 consumer. Time allowances for the diagnosis and 23 performance of repair work shall be reasonable and 24

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1 adequate for the work to be performed. Adequate and 2 fair compensation, which under this provision shall be no less than the rates customarily charged for retail 3 consumer repairs as calculated herein, for parts and 4 5 labor for warranty and recall repairs shall, at the option of the new motor vehicle dealer, be established 6 by the new motor vehicle dealer submitting to the 7 manufacturer or distributor one hundred sequential 8 9 nonwarranty consumer-paid service repair orders which 10 contain warranty-like repairs, or ninety (90) consecutive days of nonwarranty consumer-paid service 11 12 repair orders which contain warranty-like repairs, 13 whichever is less, covering repairs made no more than one hundred eighty (180) days before the submission 14 and declaring the average percentage labor rate and/or 15 markup rate. A motor vehicle dealer may not submit a 16 request to establish its retail rates more than once 17 in a twelve-month period. That request may establish 18 a parts markup rate, labor rate, or both. The new 19 motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer 20 shall calculate its retail parts rate by determining 21 the total charges for parts from the qualified repair 22 orders submitted, dividing that amount by the new 23 motor vehicle dealer's total cost of the purchase of 24

1 those parts, subtracting one (1), and multiplying by one hundred (100) to produce a percentage. The new 2 motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer 3 shall calculate its retail labor rate by dividing the 4 5 amount of the new vehicle dealer's total labor sales from the qualified repair orders by the total labor 6 hours charged for those sales. When submitting repair 7 orders to establish a retail parts and labor rate, a 8 9 new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer need not include repairs for: 10 (1) routine maintenance including but not limited to 11 12 the replacement of bulbs, fluids, filters, 13 batteries, and belts that are not provided in the course of and related to a repair, 14 (2) factory special events, specials, or promotional 15 discounts for retail consumer repairs, 16 17 (3) parts sold or repairs performed at wholesale, factory-approved goodwill or policy repairs or 18 (4) replacements, 19 repairs with aftermarket parts, when calculating 20 (5) the retail parts rate but not the retail labor 21 rate, 22 (6) repairs on aftermarket parts, 23 24

1	(7)	replacement of or work on tires including front-
2		end alignments and wheel or tire rotations,
3	(8)	repairs of vehicles owned by the new motor
4		vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer
5		or employee thereof at the time of the repair,
6	(9)	vehicle reconditioning, or
7	(10)	items that do not have individual part numbers
8		including, but not limited to, nuts, bolts, and
9		fasteners.
10	A mai	nufacturer or distributor may, not later than
11	fort	y-five (45) days after submission, rebut that
12	decla	ared retail parts and labor rate in writing by
13	rease	onably substantiating that the rate is not
14	accu	rate or is incomplete pursuant to the provisions
15	of tl	his section. If the manufacturer or distributor
16	dete	rmines the set of repair orders submitted by the
17	new 1	motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle
18	deale	er pursuant to this section for a retail labor
19	rate	or retail parts markup rate is substantially
20	high	er than the new vehicle dealer's current warranty
21	rate	s, the manufacturer or distributor may request, in
22	writ	ing, within forty-five (45) days after the
23	manu	facturer's or distributor's receipt of the new
24	vehi	cle dealer's initial submission, all repair orders

1 closed within the period of thirty (30) days 2 immediately preceding, or thirty (30) days immediately following, the set of repair orders initially 3 submitted by the new motor vehicle dealer. All time 4 periods under this section shall be suspended until 5 the supplemental repair orders are provided. If the 6 manufacturer or distributor requests supplemental 7 repair orders, the manufacturer or distributor may, 8 9 within thirty (30) days after receiving the supplemental repair orders and in accordance with the 10 formula described in this subsection, calculate a 11 12 proposed adjusted retail labor rate or retail parts markup rate, as applicable, based upon any set of the 13 qualified repair orders submitted by the franchisee 14 and following the formula set forth herein to 15 establish the rate. The retail labor and parts rates 16 shall go into effect thirty (30) days following the 17 approval by the manufacturer or distributor. If the 18 declared rate is rebutted, the manufacturer or 19 distributor shall provide written notice stating the 20 reasons for the rebuttal, an explanation of the 21 reasons for the rebuttal, and a copy of all 22 calculations used by the franchisor in determining the 23 manufacturer or distributor's position and propose an 24

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1 adjustment in writing of the average percentage markup or labor rate based on that rebuttal not later than 2 forty-five (45) days after submission. If the new 3 motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer 4 5 does not agree with the proposed average percentage markup or labor rate, the new vehicle dealer may file 6 a protest with the Commission not later than thirty 7 (30) days after receipt of that proposal by the 8 9 manufacturer or distributor. In the event a protest is filed, the manufacturer or distributor shall have 10 the burden of proof to establish the new vehicle 11 12 dealer's submitted parts markup rate or labor rate was 13 inaccurate or not complete pursuant to the provisions of this section. A manufacturer or distributor may 14 not retaliate against any new motor vehicle dealer or 15 new powersports vehicle dealer seeking to exercise its 16 rights under this section. A manufacturer or 17 distributor may require a dealer to submit repair 18 orders in accordance with this section in order to 19 validate the reasonableness of a dealer's retail rate 20 for parts or labor not more often than once every 21 twelve (12) months. A manufacturer or distributor may 22 not otherwise recover its costs from new vehicle 23 dealers within this state including a surcharge 24

1 imposed on a new motor vehicle dealer solely intended 2 to recover the cost of reimbursing a dealer for parts and labor pursuant to this section; provided, a 3 manufacturer or distributor shall not be prohibited 4 5 from increasing prices for vehicles or parts in the normal course of business or from auditing and 6 charging back claims in accordance with this section. 7 All claims made by dealers for compensation for 8 9 delivery, preparation, warranty, or recall repair work shall be paid within thirty (30) days after approval 10 and shall be approved or disapproved within thirty 11 12 (30) days after receipt. When any claim is disapproved, the dealer shall be notified in writing 13 of the grounds for disapproval. The dealer's 14 delivery, preparation, and warranty obligations as 15 filed with the Commission shall constitute the 16 dealer's sole responsibility for product liability as 17 between the dealer and manufacturer. A factory may 18 reasonably and periodically audit a new motor vehicle 19 dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer to determine 20 the validity of paid claims for dealer compensation or 21 any charge-backs for warranty parts or service 22 compensation. Except in cases of suspected fraud, 23 audits of warranty payments shall only be for the one-24

1 year period immediately following the date of the 2 payment. A manufacturer shall reserve the right to reasonable, periodic audits to determine the validity 3 of paid claims for dealer compensation or any charge-4 5 backs for consumer or dealer incentives. Except in cases of suspected fraud, audits of incentive payments 6 shall only be for a one-year period immediately 7 following the date of the payment. A factory shall 8 9 not deny a claim or charge a new motor vehicle dealer 10 back subsequent to the payment of the claim unless the factory can show that the claim was false or 11 12 fraudulent or that the new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer failed to reasonably 13 substantiate the claim by the written reasonable 14 procedures of the factory. A factory shall not deny a 15 claim or implement a charge-back against a new vehicle 16 dealer after payment of a claim in the event a 17 purchaser of a new vehicle that is the subject of a 18 claim fails to comply with titling or registration 19 laws of this state and is not prevented from 20 compliance by any action of the dealer; provided, that 21 the factory may require the dealer to provide, within 22 thirty (30) days of notice of charge-back, withholding 23 of payment, or denial of claim, the documentation to 24

1 demonstrate the vehicle sale, delivery, and customer 2 qualification for an incentive as reported, including consumer name and address and written attestation 3 4 signed by the dealer operator or general manager 5 stating the consumer was not on the export control list and the dealer did not know or have reason to 6 know the vehicle was being exported or resold. 7 The factory shall provide written notice to a dealer 8 9 of a proposed charge-back that is the result of an audit along with the specific audit results and 10 proposed charge-back amount. A dealer that receives 11 12 notice of a proposed charge-back pursuant to a 13 factory's audit has the right to file a protest with the Commission within thirty (30) days after receipt 14 of the notice of the charge-back or audit results, 15 whichever is later. The factory is prohibited from 16 implementing the charge-back or debiting the dealer's 17 account until either the time frame for filing a 18 protest has passed or a final adjudication is rendered 19 by the Commission, whichever is later, unless the 20 dealer has agreed to the charge-back or charge-backs, 21 fails to compensate the new motor vehicle dealer for a 22 с. used motor vehicle: 23

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- 1 (1) that is of the same make and model manufactured, 2 imported, or distributed by the factory and is a 3 line-make that the new motor vehicle dealer is 4 franchised to sell or on which the new motor 5 vehicle dealer is authorized to perform recall 6 repairs,
 - (2) that is subject to a stop-sale or do-not-drive order issued by the factory or an authorized governmental agency,
- (3) that is held by the new motor vehicle dealer in 10 the dealer's inventory at the time the stop-sale 11 or do-not-drive order is issued or that is taken 12 13 by the new motor vehicle dealer into the dealer's inventory after the recall notice as a result of 14 a retail consumer trade-in or a lease return to 15 the dealer inventory in accordance with an 16 17 applicable lease contract,
- 18 (4) that cannot be repaired due to the
 19 unavailability, within thirty (30) days after
 20 issuance of the stop-sale or do-not-drive order,
 21 of a remedy or parts necessary for the new motor
 22 vehicle dealer to make the recall repair, and
 23 (5) that is not at least in the prorated amount of
 24 one percent (1.00%) of the value of the vehicle

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1 per month beginning on the date that is thirty (30) days after the date on which the stop-sale 2 order was provided to the new motor vehicle 3 dealer until the earlier of either of the 4 5 following: the date the recall remedy or parts are made 6 (a) available, or 7 (b) the date the new motor vehicle dealer sells, 8 9 trades, or otherwise disposes of the affected used motor vehicle. 10 For the purposes of division (5) of this subparagraph, 11 12 the value of a used vehicle shall be the average Black 13 Book value for the year, make, and model of the recalled vehicle. A factory may direct the manner and 14 method in which a new motor vehicle dealer must 15 demonstrate the inventory status of an affected used 16 motor vehicle to determine eligibility under this 17 subparagraph; provided, that the manner and method may 18 not be unduly burdensome and may not require 19 information that is unduly burdensome to provide. 20 All reimbursement claims made by new motor vehicle dealers 21 pursuant to this section for recall remedies or 22 23 repairs, or for compensation where no part or repair is reasonably available and the vehicle is subject to 24

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1 a stop-sale or do-not-drive order, shall be subject to 2 the same limitations and requirements as a warranty reimbursement claim made under subparagraph b of this 3 paragraph. In the alternative, a manufacturer may 4 5 compensate its franchised new motor vehicle dealers under a national recall compensation program; 6 provided, the compensation under the program is equal 7 to or greater than that provided under division (5) of 8 9 this subparagraph, or as the manufacturer and new motor vehicle dealer otherwise agree. Nothing in this 10 section shall require a factory to provide total 11 compensation to a new motor vehicle dealer which would 12 13 exceed the total average Black Book value of the affected used motor vehicle as originally determined 14 under division (5) of this subparagraph. Any remedy 15 provided to a new motor vehicle dealer under this 16 subparagraph is exclusive and may not be combined with 17 any other state or federal compensation remedy, 18 unreasonably fails or refuses to offer to its same d. 19 line-make franchised dealers a reasonable supply and 20 mix of all models manufactured for that line-make, or 21 unreasonably requires a dealer to pay any extra fee, 22 purchase unreasonable advertising displays or other 23 materials, or enter into a separate agreement which 24

1 adversely alters the rights or obligations contained within the dealer's existing franchise agreement or 2 which waives any right of the new motor vehicle dealer 3 or new powersports vehicle dealer as protected by 4 5 Section 561 et seq. of this title, or remodel, renovate, or recondition the dealer's existing 6 facilities as a prerequisite to receiving a model or 7 series of vehicles, except as may be necessary to sell 8 9 or service the model or series of vehicles as provided 10 by subparagraph e of this paragraph. It shall be a violation of this section for new vehicle allocation 11 12 to be withheld subject to any requirement to purchase or sell any number of used or off-lease vehicles. The 13 failure to deliver any such new motor vehicle shall 14 not be considered a violation of the section if the 15 failure is not arbitrary or is due to lack of 16 manufacturing capacity or to a strike or labor 17 difficulty, a shortage of materials, a freight 18 embargo, or other cause over which the manufacturer 19 has no control. However, this subparagraph shall not 20 apply to limited production model vehicles, a vehicle 21 not advertised by the factory for sale in this state, 22 vehicles that are subject to allocation affected by 23 federal environmental laws or environmental laws of 24

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this state, or vehicles allocated in response to an unforeseen event or circumstance,

except as necessary to comply with a health or safety 3 e. law, or to comply with a technology requirement which 4 is necessary to sell or service a vehicle that the 5 franchised new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports 6 vehicle dealer is authorized or licensed by the 7 franchisor to sell or service, requires a dealer to 8 9 construct a new facility or substantially renovate the dealer's existing facility unless the facility 10 construction or renovation is justified by the 11 12 economic conditions existing at the time, as well as the reasonably foreseeable projections, in the new 13 motor vehicle dealer's market and in the automotive 14 industry. However, this subparagraph shall not apply 15 if the new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports 16 vehicle dealer voluntarily agrees to facility 17 construction or renovation in exchange for money, 18 credit, allowance, reimbursement, or additional 19 vehicle allocation to a dealer from the factory to 20 compensate the dealer for the cost of, or a portion of 21 the cost of, the facility construction or renovation. 22 Except as necessary to comply with a health or safety 23 law, or to comply with a technology or safety 24

1 requirement which is necessary to sell or service a 2 motor vehicle or powersports vehicle that the franchised dealer is authorized or licensed by the 3 franchisor to sell or service, a new vehicle dealer 4 which completes a facility construction or renovation 5 pursuant to factory requirements shall not be required 6 to construct a new facility or renovate the existing 7 facility if the same area of the facility or premises 8 9 has been constructed or substantially altered within 10 the last ten (10) years and the construction or alteration was approved by the manufacturer as a part 11 12 of a facility upgrade program, standard, or policy. For purposes of this subparagraph, "substantially 13 altered" means to perform an alteration that 14 substantially impacts the architectural features, 15 characteristics, or integrity of a structure or lot. 16 The term shall not include routine maintenance 17 reasonably necessary to maintain a dealership in 18 attractive condition. If a facility upgrade program, 19 standard, or policy under which the dealer completed a 20 facility construction or substantial alteration does 21 not contain a specific time period during which the 22 manufacturer or distributor shall provide payments or 23 benefits to a participating dealer, or the time frame 24

specified under the program is reduced or canceled prematurely in the unilateral discretion of the manufacturer or distributor, the manufacturer or distributor shall not deny the participating dealer any payment or benefit under the terms of the program, standard, or policy as it existed when the dealer began to perform under the program, standard, or policy for the balance of the ten-year period, regardless of whether the manufacturer's or distributor's program, standard, or policy has been changed or canceled, unless the manufacturer and dealer agree, in writing, to the change in payment or benefit,

f. requires a new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports 14 vehicle dealer to establish an exclusive facility, 15 unless supported by reasonable business, market, and 16 economic considerations; provided, that this section 17 shall not restrict the terms of any agreement for such 18 exclusive facility voluntarily entered into and 19 supported by valuable consideration separate from the 20 new motor vehicle dealer's right to sell and service 21 motor vehicles for the franchisor, 22

g. requires a new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports
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covering any or all of the new motor vehicle dealer's facilities or premises; provided, that this section shall not restrict the terms of any site-control agreement voluntarily entered into and supported by valuable consideration separate from the new motor vehicle dealer's right to sell and service motor vehicles for the franchisor. Notwithstanding the foregoing or the terms of any site-control agreement, a site-control agreement automatically extinguishes if all of the factory's franchises that operated from the location that are the subject of the site-control agreement are terminated by the factory as part of the discontinuance of a product line,

refuses to pay, or claims reimbursement from, a new h. 14 motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer 15 for sales, incentives, or other payments related to a 16 vehicle sold by the dealer because the purchaser of 17 the new vehicle exported or resold the vehicle in 18 violation of the policy of the factory unless the 19 factory can show that, at the time of the sale, the 20 new vehicle dealer knew or reasonably should have 21 known of the purchaser's intention to export or resell 22 the vehicle. There is a rebuttable presumption that 23 the new vehicle dealer did not know or could not have 24

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1 known that the vehicle would be exported if the 2 vehicle is titled and registered in any state of the 3 United States, or

- 4i.(1)notwithstanding the terms of a franchise5agreement or other agreement providing otherwise,6requires a new motor vehicle dealer or new7powersports vehicle dealer to purchase or utilize8goods or services, or contract with any vendor,9identified, selected, or designated by the10factory for the:
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 (a) operation of the dealership, including

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 electronic services such as websites, data

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 services or platforms, or
- construction, renovation, or improvement of 16 (b) 17 the new dealer's facility from a vendor chosen by the factory if goods or services 18 available from other sources a vendor that 19 the new motor vehicle dealer chooses are of 20 substantially similar quality and design and 21 comply with all applicable laws; provided, 22 however, that such goods are not subject to 23 the factory's intellectual property or 24

1 trademark rights and the new vehicle dealer has received the factory's approval, which 2 approval may not be unreasonably withheld. 3 Nothing in this subparagraph may be 4 construed to allow a new motor vehicle 5 dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer to 6 impair or eliminate a factory's intellectual 7 property, trademark rights, or trade dress 8 9 usage guidelines. Nothing in this section 10 prohibits the enforcement of a voluntary agreement between the factory and the new 11 12 vehicle dealer where separate and valuable 13 consideration has been offered and accepted It is a violation of this division for a factory, or 14 any entity that operates on behalf of a factory, to 15 coerce a new motor vehicle dealer to purchase or 16 17 utilize certain goods or services by the withholding of monetary incentives paid on a per vehicle basis and 18 vehicle allocation that the new motor vehicle dealer 19 is otherwise eligible to receive, and 20 (2) for the purposes of this subparagraph, "goods and 21 services" do not include: 22 23 (a) moveable displays, brochures, or promotional materials containing material subject to the 24

1				intellectual property rights of a factory or
2				parts to be used in repairs under warranty
3				obligations of a factory, or
4			(b)	special tools or training required by the
5				factory to perform warranty or recall
6				related repairs;
7	10.	Being	a factor	y that:
8		a.	establish	es a system of motor vehicle allocation or
9			distribut	ion which is unfair, inequitable, or
10			unreasona	bly discriminatory. Upon the request of any
11			new motor	vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle
12			dealer fr	anchised by it, a factory shall disclose in
13			writing t	o the dealer the basis upon which new
14			vehicles	are allocated, scheduled, and delivered among
15			the new m	otor vehicle dealers of the same line-make
16			for that	factory, or
17		b.	changes a	n established plan or system of new motor
18			vehicle o	r new powersports vehicle distribution. A
19			new motor	vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle
20			dealer fr	anchise agreement shall continue in full
21			force and	operation notwithstanding a change, in whole
22			or in par	t, of an established plan or system of
23			distribut	ion of the motor vehicles or new powersports
24			vehicles	offered or previously offered for sale under

1 the franchise agreement. The appointment of a new importer or distributor for motor vehicles or new 2 powersports vehicle offered for sale under the 3 franchise agreement shall be deemed to be a change of 4 5 an established plan or system of distribution. The discontinuation of a line-make shall not be deemed to 6 be a change of an established plan or system of motor 7 vehicle or new powersports vehicle distribution. 8 The creation of a line-make shall not be deemed to be a 9 10 change of an established plan or system of motor vehicle distribution as long as the new line-make is 11 12 not selling the same, or substantially the same vehicle or vehicles previously sold through another 13 line-make by new motor vehicle dealers or new 14 powersports vehicle dealers with an active franchise 15 agreement for the other line-make in the state if such 16 dealers are no longer authorized to sell the 17 comparable vehicle previously sold through their line-18 make. Changing a vehicle's powertrain is not 19 sufficient to show it is substantially different. 20 Upon the occurrence of such change, the manufacturer 21 or distributor shall be prohibited from obtaining a 22 license to distribute vehicles under the new plan or 23 system of distribution unless the manufacturer or 24

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distributor offers to each vehicle dealer who is a party to the franchise agreement a new franchise agreement containing substantially the same provisions which were contained in the previous franchise agreement;

Being a factory that sells directly or indirectly new motor 6 11. vehicles or new powersports vehicles to any retail consumer in the 7 state except through a new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports 8 9 vehicle dealer holding a franchise for the line-make that includes 10 the new motor vehicle or new powersports vehicle. This paragraph does not apply to factory sales of new vehicles to its employees, 11 12 family members of employees, retirees and family members of 13 retirees, not-for-profit organizations, or the federal, state, or local governments. The provisions of this paragraph shall not 14 preclude a factory from providing information to a consumer for the 15 purpose of marketing or facilitating a sale of a new vehicle or from 16 17 establishing a program to sell or offer to sell new motor vehicles or new powersports vehicle through participating dealers subject to 18 the limitations provided in paragraph 2 of Section 562 of this 19 title; 20

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    21 12. a. Being a factory which directly or indirectly:
    22 (1) owns any ownership interest or has any financial
    23 interest in a new motor vehicle dealer or new
    24 powersports vehicle dealer or any person who
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1		sells products or services pursuant to the terms
2		of the franchise agreement,
3	(2)	operates or controls a new motor vehicle dealer
4		or new powersports vehicle dealer, or
5	(3)	acts in the capacity of a new motor vehicle
6		dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer.
7	b. (1)	This paragraph does not prohibit a factory from
8		owning or controlling a new motor vehicle dealer
9		or new powersports vehicle dealer while in a bona
10		fide relationship with a dealer development
11		candidate who has made a substantial initial
12		investment in the franchise and whose initial
13		investment is subject to potential loss. The
14		dealer development candidate can reasonably
15		expect to acquire full ownership of a new vehicle
16		dealer within a reasonable period of time not to
17		exceed ten (10) years and on reasonable terms and
18		conditions. The ten-year acquisition period may
19		be expanded for good cause shown.
20	(2)	This paragraph does not prohibit a factory from

(2) This paragraph does not prohibit a factory from owning, operating, controlling, or acting in the capacity of a new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer for a period not to exceed twelve (12) months during the transition

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from one independent dealer to another independent dealer if the dealership is for sale at a reasonable price and on reasonable terms and conditions to an independent qualified buyer. On showing by a factory of good cause, the Oklahoma New Motor Vehicle Commission may extend the time limit set forth above; extensions may be granted for periods not to exceed twelve (12) months. (3) This paragraph does not prohibit a factory from

- 10 owning, operating, or controlling or acting in 11 the capacity of a new motor vehicle dealer or new 12 powersports vehicle dealer which was in operation 13 prior to January 1, 2000.
- This paragraph does not prohibit a factory from (4) 14 owning, directly or indirectly, a minority 15 interest in an entity that owns, operates, or 16 17 controls motor vehicle dealerships or powersports vehicle dealerships of the same line-make 18 franchised by the manufacturer, provided that 19 20 each of the following conditions are met: all of the new motor vehicle or new (a) 21 powersports vehicle dealerships selling the 22

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1 trade exclusively in the line-make of that manufacturer, 2 3 all of the franchise agreements of the (b) manufacturer confer rights on the dealer of 4 5 the line-make to develop and operate, within a defined geographic territory or area, as 6 many dealership facilities as the dealer and 7 manufacturer shall agree are appropriate, 8 9 (C) at the time the manufacturer first acquires an ownership interest or assumes operation, 10 the distance between any dealership thus 11 12 owned or operated and the nearest 13 unaffiliated new motor vehicle or new powersports vehicle dealership trading in 14 the same line-make is not less than seventy 15 (70) miles, 16 17 (d) during any period in which the manufacturer has such an ownership interest, the 18 manufacturer has no more than three 19 20 franchise agreements with new motor vehicle dealers or new powersports vehicle dealers 21 licensed by the Oklahoma New Motor Vehicle 22

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Commission to do business within the state,

1 (e) prior to January 1, 2000, the factory shall have furnished or made available to 2 3 prospective new vehicle dealers an offering circular in accordance with the Trade 4 5 Regulation Rule on Franchising of the Federal Trade Commission, and any guidelines 6 and exemptions issued thereunder, which 7 disclose the possibility that the factory 8 9 may from time to time seek to own or acquire, directly or indirectly, ownership 10 interests in retail dealerships; 11 12 13. Being a factory which directly or indirectly makes 13 available for public disclosure any proprietary information provided to the factory by a new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports 14 vehicle dealer, other than in composite form to new vehicle dealers 15 in the same line-make or in response to a subpoena or order of the 16 17 Commission or a court. Proprietary information includes, but is not limited to, information: 18 derived from monthly financial statements provided to a. 19 the factory, and 20 b. regarding any aspect of the profitability of a 21 particular new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports 22 vehicle dealer; 23 24

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1 14. Being a factory which does not provide or direct leads in a 2 fair, equitable, and timely manner. Nothing in this paragraph shall 3 be construed to require a factory to disregard the preference of a 4 consumer in providing or directing a lead;

5 15. Being a factory which used the consumer list of a new motor 6 vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer for the purpose of 7 unfairly competing with dealers;

8 16. Being a factory which prohibits a new motor vehicle dealer 9 or new powersports vehicle dealer from relocating after a written 10 request by such dealer if:

a. the facility and the proposed new location satisfies
or meets the written reasonable guidelines of the
factory. Reasonable guidelines do not include
exclusivity or site control unless agreed to as set
forth in subparagraphs f and g of paragraph 9 of this
subsection,

- b. the proposed new location is within the area of
 responsibility of the new motor vehicle dealer or new
 powersports vehicle dealer pursuant to Section 578.1
 of this title, and
- c. the factory has sixty (60) days from receipt of the
 new motor vehicle dealer's relocation request to
 approve or deny the request. The failure to approve

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or deny the request within the sixty-day time frame shall constitute approval of the request;

Being a factory which prohibits a new motor vehicle dealer 3 17. or new powersports vehicle dealer from adding additional line-makes 4 5 to its existing facility, if, after adding the additional linemakes, the facility satisfies the written reasonable capitalization 6 standards and facility guidelines of each factory. Reasonable 7 facility guidelines do not include a requirement to maintain 8 9 exclusivity or site control unless agreed to by the dealer as set forth in subparagraphs f and g of paragraph 9 of this subsection; 10 Being a factory that increases prices of new motor vehicles 11 18. 12 or new powersports vehicles which the dealer had ordered for retail 13 consumers and notified the factory prior to the dealer's receipt of the written official price increase notification. A sales contract 14 signed by a retail consumer accompanied with proof of order 15 submission to the factory shall constitute evidence of each such 16

order, provided that the vehicle is in fact delivered to the consumer. Price differences applicable to new models or series motor vehicles at the time of the introduction of new models or series shall not be considered a price increase for purposes of this paragraph. Price changes caused by any of the following shall not be subject to the provisions of this paragraph:

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- a. the addition to a motor vehicle or powersports vehicle
 of required or optional equipment pursuant to state or
 federal law,
- b. revaluation of the United States dollar in the case of
 foreign-made vehicles or components, or
- c. an increase in transportation charges due to increased
 rates imposed by common or contract carriers;

8 19. Being a factory that requires a new motor vehicle dealer or 9 new powersports vehicle dealer to participate monetarily in an 10 advertising campaign or contest, or purchase any promotional 11 materials, showroom, or other display decoration or materials at the 12 expense of the new motor vehicle or powersports vehicle dealer 13 without consent of the dealer, which consent shall not be 14 unreasonably withheld;

20. Being a factory that denies any new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer the right of free association with any other dealer for any lawful purpose, unless otherwise permitted by this chapter; or

19 21. Being a factory that requires a new motor vehicle dealer or 20 new powersports vehicle dealer to sell, offer to sell, or sell 21 exclusively an extended service contract, extended maintenance plan, 22 or similar product, such as gap products offered, endorsed, or 23 sponsored by the factory by the following means:

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- 1a.by an act or statement from the factory that will in2any manner adversely impact the new motor vehicle3dealer, or
- b. by measuring dealer's performance under the franchise
 based on the sale of extended service contracts,
 extended maintenance plans, or similar products
 offered, endorsed, or sponsored by the manufacturer or
 distributor;
- 9 22. Being a factory that requires or coerces a new motor 10 vehicle dealer in this state to purchase or lease any electric vehicle charging stations at the new motor vehicle dealer's expense 11 12 unless the franchise agreement, including any related addendums, 13 with the new motor vehicle dealer identifies electric vehicle models among the vehicles available for sale under the dealer's franchised 14 line-make, or the new motor vehicle dealer has notified the 15 manufacturer or distributor of the new motor vehicle dealer's 16 17 intention to begin selling and servicing electric vehicles manufactured or distributed by that factory. If the new motor 18 vehicle dealer's franchise identifies electric vehicle models or the 19 dealer is actually offering for sale to the public or providing 20 warranty service on electric vehicles manufactured or distributed by 21 that factory, the new motor vehicle dealer may not be required to 22 purchase or lease, at the new motor vehicle dealer's expense: 23 24

1	<u>a.</u>	more than the number and type of electric vehicle			
2		charging stations based upon the reasonable estimate			
3		by the new motor vehicle dealer of the sales and			
4		service volume, or			
5	b.	to make electric vehicle charging stations located at			
6		the new motor vehicle dealership available for use by			
7		the general public. Nothing in this paragraph shall			
8		prohibit a factory from offering financial assistance			
9		through a lump-sum payment to new motor vehicle			
10		dealers that purchase or install electric charging			
11		stations; and			
12	23. Being a factory that withdraws all or a material part of				
13 _	its stated electric vehicle distribution plan and fails or refuses,				
14 <u>a</u>	at the written request of the new motor vehicle dealer, to accept				
15 <u>t</u>	the return or otherwise fully reimburse a new motor vehicle dealer				
16 1	for the cost	of parts, tools, equipment, chargers, and other			
17 1	returnable items required as a part of that distribution plan,				
18 <u>r</u>	program, policy, or other initiative related to the sale or service				
19 _	of electric motor vehicles; provided, that:				
20	<u>a.</u>	the dealer demonstrates that the volume of electric			
21		motor vehicles sales or service is no longer adequate			
22		to allow the dealer to realize a positive return on			
23		the investment over the useful life of the parts,			

- 1 <u>tools, equipment, chargers, or other returnable items,</u>
 2 <u>and</u>
- 3 <u>b.</u> the dealer submits its request to the manufacturer or
 4 distributor in writing and within twenty-four (24)
 5 months of the dealer's receipt of the parts, tools,
 6 equipment, chargers, or other returnable items.

Notwithstanding the terms of any franchise agreement, in the 7 В. event of a proposed sale or transfer of a dealership, the 8 9 manufacturer or distributor shall be permitted to exercise a right 10 of first refusal to acquire the assets or ownership interest of the dealer of the new motor vehicle or new powersports vehicle 11 12 dealership, if such sale or transfer is conditioned upon the manufacturer or dealer entering into a dealer agreement with the 13 proposed new owner or transferee, only if all the following 14 15 requirements are met:

To exercise its right of first refusal, the factory must
 notify the new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle
 dealer in writing within sixty (60) days of receipt of the completed
 proposal for the proposed sale transfer;

The exercise of the right of first refusal will result in
 the new motor vehicle dealer or new powersports vehicle dealer and
 the owner of the dealership receiving the same or greater
 consideration as they have contracted to receive in connection with
 the proposed change of ownership or transfer;

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1 3. The proposed sale or transfer of the dealership does not involve the transfer or sale to a member or members of the family of 2 one or more dealer owners, or to a qualified manager or a 3 partnership or corporation controlled by such persons; and 4 5 4. The factory agrees to pay the reasonable expenses, including attorney fees which do not exceed the usual, customary, and 6 reasonable fees charged for similar work done for other clients 7 incurred by the proposed new owner and transferee prior to the 8

9 exercise by the factory of its right of first refusal in negotiating 10 and implementing the contract for the proposed sale or transfer of the dealership or dealership assets. Notwithstanding the foregoing, 11 12 no payment of expenses and attorney fees shall be required if the 13 proposed new dealer or transferee has not submitted or caused to be submitted an accounting of those expenses within thirty (30) days of 14 receipt of the written request of the factory for such an 15 accounting. The accounting may be requested by a factory before 16 exercising its right of first refusal. 17

18 C. Nothing in this section shall prohibit, limit, restrict, or 19 impose conditions on:

Business activities, including without limitation the
 dealings with motor vehicle manufacturers and the representatives
 and affiliates of motor vehicle manufacturers, of any person that is
 primarily engaged in the business of short-term, not to exceed
 twelve (12) months, rental of motor vehicles and industrial and

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1 construction equipment and activities incidental to that business, 2 provided that:

3	a. any motor vehicle or powersports vehicle sold by tha	t
4	person is limited to used motor vehicles or	
5	powersports vehicles that have been previously used	
6	exclusively and regularly by that person in the	
7	conduct of business and used motor vehicles or used	
8	powersports vehicles traded in on motor vehicles or	
9	powersports vehicles sold by that person,	
10	b. warranty repairs performed by that person on motor	
11	vehicles or powersports vehicles are limited to thos	е
12	vehicles that the person owns, previously owned, or	
13	takes in trade, and	
14	c. motor vehicle or powersports vehicle financing	
15	provided by that person to retail consumers for moto	r
16	vehicles or powersports vehicles is limited to used	
17	vehicles sold by that person in the conduct of	
18	business; or	
19	2. The direct or indirect ownership, affiliation, or control	of
20	a person described in paragraph 1 of this subsection.	
21	D. As used in this section:	
22	1. "Substantially relates" means the nature of criminal condu	ct
23	for which the person was convicted has a direct bearing on the	
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1 fitness or ability to perform one or more of the duties or 2 responsibilities necessarily related to the occupation; and 2. "Poses a reasonable threat" means the nature of criminal 3 conduct for which the person was convicted involved an act or threat 4 5 of harm against another and has a bearing on the fitness or ability 6 to serve the public or work with others in the occupation. 7 E. Nothing in this section shall prohibit a manufacturer or distributor from requiring a dealer to be in compliance with the 8 9 franchise agreement and authorized to sell a make and model based on 10 applicable reasonable standards and requirements that include but are not limited to any facility, technology, or training 11 12 requirements necessary to sell or service a vehicle, in order to be 13 eligible for delivery or allotment of a make or model of a new motor vehicle or new powersports vehicle or an incentive. 14 SECTION 5. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025. 15 16 60 - 1 - 1702CN 2/26/2025 8:44:05 AM 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24