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## **DIGEST**

Present law provides for unauthorized acts.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that it shall be a violation of law for a manufacturer, distributor, wholesaler, distributor branch, factory branch, converter or officer, agent, or other representative thereof to disqualify a manufacturer's sales or service satisfaction survey solely because it was mailed or communicated electronically from a dealership, including but not limited to a survey pertaining to a dealership's employee's personal motor vehicle or specialty vehicle.

Present law provides for manufacturer charge backs to a dealer.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the dealer shall not be charged back for any rebate paid to a consumer pursuant to a manufacturer's rebate program, provided the dealer acted in good faith and was not grossly negligent in relying on the consumer's qualifying information. A manufacturer's rebate program shall include but not be limited to a rebate program that targets college graduates, military personnel, first-time buyers, owner loyalty, family relationships, and any other similar program

Effective August 1, 2013.

(Adds R.S. 32:1261(A)(1)(x) and 1262(B)(8))