By: Representatives Miles, Franks, Markham To: Transportation

HOUSE BILL NO. 364

1 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT FRANCHISORS OF MOTOR VEHICLES FROM FORCING 2 ACCEPTANCES OF PRODUCTS NOT ORDERED OR DESIRED; AND FOR RELATED 3 PURPOSES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 4 5 SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any franchisor of motor 6 vehicles to coerce, or attempt to coerce, any franchisee to accept 7 delivery of any motor vehicle, parts, accessories, or any other commodities connected therewith, which are not ordered by such 8 9 franchisee; nor withhold or delay delivery of motor vehicles out 10 of the ordinary course of business; nor discriminate against any franchisee by the allocation or through the withholding from 11 12 delivery of certain models of motor vehicles ordered by a 13 franchisee out of the ordinary course of business; nor unfairly change or amend unilaterally a franchisee's allotment of motor 14 vehicles or quota in a sales contest without reasonable cause. 15 Any franchisor who violates this section shall be liable for all 16 costs incurred by a franchisee as a result of such violation. 17 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from 18 and after July 1, 1999. 19