

RCW 46.95.070 Coercion of dealer prohibited. (1) A manufacturer or distributor may not coerce or attempt to coerce a dealer to:

- (a) Purchase a product that the dealer did not order;
- (b) Enter into an agreement with the manufacturer or distributor;
- (c) Take any action that is unfair or unreasonable to the dealer;
- (d) Enter into an agreement that requires the dealer to submit its disputes to binding arbitration or otherwise waive rights or responsibilities provided under this chapter; or
- (e) Forego exercising a right authorized by a manufacturer/dealer agreement or any law governing the manufacturer/dealer relationship.

(2) As used in this section, the term "coerce" includes, but is not limited to, threatening to terminate, cancel, or not renew a manufacturer/dealer agreement without good cause or threatening to withhold product lines or delay product delivery as an inducement to amending the manufacturer/dealer agreement.

(3) The dealer bears the burden of proof regarding the prohibited acts described in this section. [2024 c 87 s 7.]