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MOTORBOAT AGREEMENTS ACT

2021 GENERAL SESSION STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Francis D. Gibson

Senate Sponsor:

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill {amends} enacts the {New Automobile Franchise Act and the Powersport Vehicle Franchise} Motorboat Agreements Act.

Highlighted Provisions:

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           requires certain provisions in an agreement;
           enacts provisions related to performance standards;
           enacts provisions related to a \{\text{franchisor's obligations upon}\}\text{motorboat dealer's}
           default and curing a default; and
           enacts provisions related to the termination or {noncontinuation} nonrenewal of {a
           franchise; and 

makes technical and conforming changes} an agreement.
Money Appropriated in this Bill:
       None
Other Special Clauses:
       This bill provides a special effective date.
       None
Utah Code Sections Affected:
<del>{AMENDS}</del>ENACTS:
       <del>{13-14-102, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 367</del>
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13-58-102, Utah Code Annotated 1953

13-58-201, Utah Code Annotated 1953

13-58-202, Utah Code Annotated 1953

13-58-301, Utah Code Annotated 1953

13-58-302, Utah Code Annotated 1953

13-58-401, Utah Code Annotated 1953

13-58-402, Utah Code Annotated 1953

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section $\frac{\{13-14-102\}}{13-58-101}$ is $\frac{\{13-14-102\}}{13-14-102}$.

Definitions. \(\rightarrow\) enacted to read:

CHAPTER 58. MOTORBOAT AGREEMENTS ACT

Part 1. General Provisions

13-58-101. Title.

This chapter is known as the "Motorboat Agreements Act."

Section 2. Section 13-58-102 is enacted to read:

13-58-102. **Definitions.**

As used in this chapter: { (1) "Advisory board" or "board" means the Utah Motor

Vehicle Franchise Advisory Board created in Section 13-14-103.

- (2) "Affected municipality" means an incorporated city or town: (a) that is located in the notice area; and (b) (i) within which a franchisor is proposing a new or relocated dealership that is within the relevant market area of an existing dealership of the same line-make owned by another franchisee; or (ii) within which an existing dealership is located and a franchisor is proposing a new or relocated dealership within the relevant market area of that existing dealership of the same line-make.
 - (3) "Affiliate" has the meaning set forth in Section 16-10a-102.
- (4) "Aftermarket product" means any product or service not included in the franchisor's suggested retail price of the new motor vehicle, as that price appears on the label required by 15 U.S.C. Sec. 1232(f).
- (5) "Dealership" means a site or location in this state:

 (a) at which a franchisee conducts the business of a new motor vehicle dealer; and

 (b) that is identified as a new motor vehicle dealer's principal place of business for licensing purposes under Section 41-3-204.

- (6) "Department" means the Department of Commerce. (7) "Do-not-drive order" means an order issued by a franchisor that instructs an individual not to operate a motor vehicle of the franchisor's line-make due to a recall. (8) "Executive director" means the executive director of the Department of Commerce. (9) (a) "Franchise" or "franchise agreement} (1) "Agreement" means {a written}an agreement{, or in the absence of a written agreement, then a course of dealing or a practice for a definite or indefinite period, in which: (i) a person grants to another person a license to use a trade name, trademark, service mark, or related characteristic; and (ii) a community of interest exists in the marketing of new motor vehicles, new motor vehicle parts, and services related to the sale or lease of new motor vehicles at wholesale or retail. (b) "Franchise" or "franchise agreement" includes a sales and service agreement. (10) "Franchisee" means a person with whom a franchisor has agreed or permitted, in writing or in practice, to purchase, sell, or offer for sale new motor vehicles manufactured, produced, represented, or distributed by the franchisor. (11) "Franchisor} between: (a) a motorboat dealer; and (b) (i) a manufacturer; or (ii) a distributor. (2) "Distributor" means a person who { has, in writing or in practice, agreed with or permits a franchisee to purchase, sell, or offer for sale new motor vehicles manufactured, produced, assembled, represented, or distributed by the franchisor, and includes: (a) the manufacturer, producer, assembler, or distributor of the new motor vehicles; intermediate distributor; and (c) an agent, officer, or field or area representative of the franchisor. (12) "Lead" means the referral by a franchisor to a franchisee of a potential customer whose contact information was obtained from a franchisor's program, process, or system
- (13) "Line-make" means: (a) for other than a recreational vehicle, the motor vehicles that are offered for sale, lease, or distribution under a common name, trademark,

work related to the franchisor's vehicles.

designed to generate referrals for the purchase or lease of a new motor vehicle, or for service

service mark, or brand name of the franchisor; or (b) for a recreational vehicle, a specific
series of recreational vehicle product that: (i) is identified by a common series trade name or
<u>trademark;</u> (ii) is targeted to a particular market segment, as determined by decor, features,
equipment, size, weight, and price range; (iii) has a length and floor plan that distinguish
the recreational vehicle from other recreational vehicles with substantially the same decor,
features, equipment, size, weight, and price; (iv) belongs to a single, distinct
classification of recreational vehicle product type having a substantial degree of commonality
in the construction of the chassis, frame, and body; and (v) a franchise agreement
authorizes a dealer to sell.
(14) "Mile" means 5,280 feet.
(15) "Motor home" means a self-propelled vehicle, primarily designed as a temporary
dwelling for travel, recreational, or vacation use.
(16) (a) "Motor vehicle" means: (i) except as provided in Subsection (16)(b), a
trailer; (ii) a travel trailer; (iii) except as provided in Subsection (16)(b), a motor
vehicle as defined in Section 41-3-102; (iv) a semitrailer as defined in Section 41-1a-102;
and (v) a recreational vehicle.
(b) "Motor vehicle" does not include: (i) a motorcycle as defined in Section
41-1a-102; (ii) an off-highway vehicle as defined in Section 41-3-102; (iii) a small
trailer; (iv) a trailer that: (A) is not designed for human habitation; and (B)
has a gross vehicle weight rating of less than 26,000 pounds; (v) a mobile home as
defined in Section 41-1a-102; (vi) a trailer of 750 pounds or less unladen weight; [and]
(vii) a farm tractor or other machine or tool used in the production, harvesting, or care
of a farm product[.]; and (viii) a motorboat trailer as defined in Section 13-35-102. (17)
"New motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle that: (a) has never been titled or registered; and
(b) for a motor vehicle that is not a trailer, travel trailer, or semitrailer, has been driven
less than 7,500 miles.
(18) "New motor vehicle dealer" is a person who is licensed under Subsection
41-3-202(1) to sell new motor vehicles.
(19) "Notice" or "notify" includes both traditional written communications and all
reliable forms of electronic communication unless expressly prohibited by statute or rule.
(20) "Notice area" means the geographic area that is: (a) within a radius of at

least six miles and no more than 10 miles from the site of an existing dealership; and (b) located within a county with a population of at least 225,000. (21) "Primary market area" means: (a) for an existing dealership, the geographic area established by the franchisor that the existing dealership is intended to serve; or (b) for a new or relocated dealership, the geographic area proposed by the franchisor that the new or relocated dealership is intended to serve. (22) "Recall" means a determination by a franchisor or the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that a motor vehicle has a safety-related defect or fails to meet a federal safety or emissions standard. (23) "Recall repair" means any diagnostic work, labor, or part necessary to resolve an issue that is the basis of a recall. (24) (a) "Recreational vehicle" means a vehicular unit other than a mobile home, primarily designed as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreational, or vacation use, that is either self-propelled or pulled by another vehicle. (b) "Recreational vehicle" includes: (i) a travel trailer; (ii) a camping trailer; (iii) a motor home; (iv) a fifth wheel trailer; and (v) a van. (25) (a) "Relevant market area," except with respect to recreational vehicles, means: (i) as applied to an existing dealership that is located in a county with a population of less than 225,000: (A) the county in which the existing dealership is located; and the area within a 15-mile radius of the existing dealership; or (ii) as applied to an existing dealership that is located in a county with a population of 225,000 or more, the area within a 10-mile radius of the existing dealership. (b) "Relevant market area," with respect to recreational vehicles, means: (i) the county in which the dealership is to be established or relocated; and (ii) the area within a 35-mile radius from the site of the existing dealership. (26) "Sale, transfer, or assignment" means any disposition of a franchise or an interest in a franchise, with or without consideration, including a bequest, inheritance, gift, exchange, lease, or license. (27) "Serve" or "served," unless expressly indicated otherwise by statute or rule, includes any reliable form of communication. (28) "Site-control agreement" means an agreement, however denominated and

regardless of the agreement's form or of the parties to the agreement, that has the effect of:

(a) controlling in any way the use and development of the premises upon which a franchisee's business operations are located; (b) requiring a franchisee to establish or maintain an exclusive dealership facility on the premises upon which the franchisee's business operations are located; or (c) restricting the ability of the franchisee or, if the franchisee

redevelop, or change the use of some or all of the dealership premises, whether by sublease, lease, collateral pledge of lease, right of first refusal to purchase or lease, option to purchase or lease, or any similar arrangement.

leases the dealership premises, the franchisee's lessor to transfer, sell, lease, develop,

- (29) "Small trailer" means the same as that term is defined in Section 41-3-102.
- (30) "Stop-sale order" means an order issued by a franchisor that prohibits a franchisee from selling or leasing a certain used motor vehicle of the franchisor's line-make, which then or thereafter is in the franchisee's inventory, due to a recall.
 - (31) "Trailer}:
- (a) has a franchise from a manufacturer of motorboats to distribute motorboats within this state; and
 - (b) in whole or in part sells or distributes motorboats to motorboat dealers.
- (3) "Manufacturer" means a person engaged in the business of constructing, manufacturing, assembling, producing, or importing new motorboats for the purpose of sale or trade.
 - (4) "Motorboat" means the same as that term is defined in Section {41-3-102.
- (32) "Travel trailer," "camping trailer," or "fifth wheel trailer" means a portable vehicle without motive power, designed as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreational, or vacation use that does not require a special highway movement permit when drawn by a self-propelled motor vehicle.
- (33) "Used motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle that: (a) has been titled and registered to a purchaser other than a franchisee; or (b) for a motor vehicle that is not a trailer, travel trailer, or semitrailer, has been driven 7,500 or more miles.
- (34) "Value of a used motor vehicle" means the average trade-in value for a used motor vehicle of the same year, make, and model as reported in a recognized, independent third-party used motor vehicle guide.

(35) "Written," "write," "in writing," or other variations of those terms shall include all reliable forms of electronic communication. Section 2. Section 13-35-102 is amended to read: 13-35-102. Definitions. used in this chapter: (1) "Advisory board" or "board" means the Utah Powersport Vehicle Franchise Advisory Board created in Section 13-35-103. (2) "Dealership" means a site or location in this state: (a) at which a franchisee conducts the business of a new powersport vehicle dealer; and (b) that is identified as a new powersport vehicle dealer's principal place of business for registration purposes under Section 13-35-105. (3) "Department" means the Department of Commerce. (4) "Executive director" means the executive director of the Department of Commerce. (5) "Franchise" or "franchise agreement" means a written agreement, for a definite or indefinite period, in which: (a) a person grants to another person a license to use a trade name, trademark, service mark, or related characteristic; and (b) a community of interest exists in the marketing of new powersport vehicles, new powersport vehicle parts, and services related to the sale or lease of new powersport vehicles at wholesale or retail. (6) "Franchisee" means a person with whom a franchisor has agreed or permitted, in writing or in practice, to purchase, sell, or offer for sale new powersport vehicles manufactured, produced, represented, or distributed by the franchisor. (7) (a) "Franchisor" means a person who has, in writing or in practice, agreed with or permits a franchisee to purchase, sell, or offer for sale new powersport vehicles manufactured, produced, represented, or distributed by the franchisor, and includes: (i) the manufacturer or distributor of the new powersport vehicles; (ii) an intermediate distributor; an agent, officer, or field or area representative of the franchisor; and (iv) a person who is affiliated with a manufacturer or a representative or who directly or indirectly through an intermediary is controlled by, or is under common control with the manufacturer. (b) For purposes of Subsection (7)(a)(iv), a person is controlled by a manufacturer if the manufacturer has the authority directly or indirectly by law or by an agreement of the parties, to direct or influence the management and policies of the person. (8) "Lead" means the referral by a franchisor to a franchisee of an actual or potential

customer for the purchase or lease of a new powersport vehicle, or for service work related to

the franchisor's vehicles.

- (9) "Line-make" means the powersport vehicles that are offered for sale, lease, or distribution under a common name, trademark, service mark, or brand name of the franchisor, or manufacturer of the powersport vehicle.
- (10) "Motorboat" means the same as that term is defined in Section 73-18-2. (11) "Motorboat trailer" means a trailer, as defined in Section 41-1a-102, that is designed to carry a motorboat. [(10)] (12) "New powersport vehicle; 73-18-2.
 - (5) "Motorboat dealer" means a person who:
- (a) is engaged in the business of buying, selling, offering for sale, or exchanging new
 {powersport vehicles}motorboats either outright or on conditional sale, bailment, lease, chattel
 mortgage, or otherwise{who}; and
- (b) has established in this state a place of business for the sale, lease, trade, or display of {powersport vehicles.
- [(11)] (13) "Notice" or "notify" includes both traditional written communications and all reliable forms of electronic communication unless expressly prohibited by statute or rule.

 [(12)] (14) (a) "Powersport vehicle" means: (i) an all-terrain type I, type II, or type III vehicle "ATV" defined in Section 41-22-2; (ii) a snowmobile as defined in Section 41-22-2; (iii) a motorcycle as defined in Section 41-1a-102; (iv) a personal watercraft as defined in Section 73-18-2; (v) except as provided in Subsection [(12)] (14)(b), a motor-driven cycle as defined in Section 41-6a-102; [or] (vi) a moped as defined in Section 41-6a-102[.]; (vii) a motorboat; or (viii) a motorboat trailer. (b) "Powersport vehicle" does not include: (i) an electric assisted bicycle defined in Section 41-6a-102; (ii) a motor assisted scooter as defined in Section 41-6a-102; or (iii) an electric personal assistive mobility device as defined in Section 41-6a-102.

[(13)] (15) "Relevant market area" means[:] the area within a 10-mile radius from the site of an existing, new, or relocated powersport dealership. [(a) for a powersport dealership in a county that has a population of less than 225,000:] [(i) the county in which the powersport dealership exists or is to be established or relocated; and] [(ii) in addition to the county described in Subsection (13)(a)(i), the area within a 15-mile radius from the site of the existing, new, or relocated dealership; or] [(b) for a powersport dealership in a county that has a population of 225,000 or more, the area within a 10-mile radius from the site

of the existing, new, or relocated dealership.] [(14)] (16) "Sale, transfer, or assignment" means any disposition of a franchise or an interest in a franchise, with or without consideration, including a bequest, inheritance, gift, exchange, lease, or license.

[(15)] (17) "Serve" or "served," unless expressly indicated otherwise by statute or rule, includes any reliable form of communication.

[(16)] (18) "Written," "write," "in writing," or other variations of those terms shall include all reliable forms of electronic communication.

new motorboats.

- (6) "Performance standard" means a reasonable standard that a manufacturer and a motorboat dealer develop and agree to regarding a motorboat dealer's:
 - (a) achievement of market share for the manufacturer products sold in a territory;
- (b) achievement of a level of performance in the manufacturer's certified dealer program, if any; and
- (c) participation in a plan that addresses improvement, if needed, in the motorboat dealer's performance.

Section 3. Section \(\frac{13-35-307\}{13-58-201}\) is \(\frac{\tanended to read:}{\tanended to read:}\) 13-35-307.

Part 2. Agreements

13-58-201. Terms of agreements.

- (1) A person may not act as a motorboat dealer in this state without entering into an agreement.
 - (2) An agreement shall include:
 - (a) each performance standard and marketing standard, if any;
- (b) each working capital standard, inventory standard, facility standard, equipment standard, and tool standard, if any, including each agreed upon minimum product stocking requirement;
 - (c) provisions for termination or nonrenewal of the agreement;
- (d) the designation of a successor motorboat dealer in the event of the motorboat dealer's death or disability;
- (e) the obligations of the manufacturer, distributor, and motorboat dealer in the preparation and delivery of, and warranty service on, new boats and new boat motors;

- (f) the obligations of the manufacturer, distributor, and new motorboat dealer upon termination of the agreement, including obligations in relation to:
 - (i) inventory of new boats;
 - (ii) inventory of new boat motors;
 - (iii) inventory of parts;
 - (iv) equipment;
 - (v) furnishings;
 - (vi) special tools; and
 - (vii) required signs;
 - (g) each standard for maintenance of:
 - (i) a dedicated or self-funded line of credit, if any; and
 - (ii) a trade-in line of credit or self-funded trade-in line of credit, if any; and
 - (h) dispute resolution procedures.

Section 4. Section 13-58-202 is enacted to read:

13-58-202. Performance standards.

- (1) A manufacturer who enters into an agreement with a motorboat dealer shall make reasonable efforts to provide the dealer with information regarding the dealer's compliance with each performance standard.
- (2) A manufacturer and motorboat dealer who enter into an agreement shall evaluate each performance standard on an annual basis.

Section 5. Section 13-58-301 is enacted to read:

Part 3. Default

13-58-301. Motorboat dealer default.

A motorboat dealer defaults on an agreement if the motorboat dealer:

- (1) materially fails to:
- (a) meet minimum product stocking requirements as specified under the agreement;
- (b) make timely payment of a material obligation as specified under the agreement;
- (c) meet an applicable performance standard as specified by the agreement for a defined one model-year marketing cycle;
 - (d) meet an applicable marketing standard as specified by the agreement; or
 - (e) meet an applicable standard, as specified by the agreement, for:

- (i) a dedicated or self-funded line of credit; or
- (ii) a trade-in or self-funded trade-in line of credit; or
- (2) markets the manufacturer's boats outside of the motorboat dealer's territory in violation of the agreement.

Section 6. Section 13-58-302 is enacted to read:

13-58-302. Cure of default.

- (1) If a motorboat dealer defaults as described in Section 13-58-301, the manufacturer or distributor who is part of the agreement shall:
 - (a) give the dealer written notice of the dealer's default; and
 - (b) allow the dealer to cure the default within the period described in Subsection (2).
 - (2) A motorboat dealer may cure a default no later than:
- (a) 30 days after the day on which the dealer receives the notice described in Subsection (1), if the dealer defaulted as described in Subsection 13-58-301(1)(b) or (2);
- (b) 60 days after the day on which the dealer receives the notice described in Subsection (1), if the dealer defaulted as described in Subsection 13-58-301(1)(a), (d), or (e); and
- (c) 160 days after the day on which the dealer receives the notice described in Subsection (1), if the dealer defaulted as described in Subsection 13-58-301(1)(c).

Section 7. Section 13-58-401 is enacted to read:

Part 4. Termination or Nonrenewal of Agreements

13-58-401. Termination or nonrenewal of agreement -- Notice -- Repurchase obligations { upon termination or noncontinuation of franchise}.

- (1{}) (a{}) Except as provided in {Subsection (1)(b), if a franchise} <u>Section 13-58-402, a manufacturer or distributor may not terminate or fail to renew an agreement with a motorboat dealer unless:</u>
 - (a) the motorboat dealer defaults as described in Section 13-58-301;
- (b) the manufacturer or distributor gives the motorboat dealer written notice as described in Subsection 13-58-302 that clearly and concisely states:
 - (i) the default; and
- (ii) that if the dealer fails to cure the default, the manufacturer or distributor may terminate the agreement;

- (c) the manufacturer or distributor provides the motorboat dealer the applicable period to cure the default as described in Subsection 13-58-302(2); and
- (d) the motorboat dealer fails to cure the default during the applicable period described in Subsection 13-58-302(2).
- (2) If an agreement is terminated or not {continued by the franchisor or franchisee, the franchisor shall pay the franchisee: (i) the franchisee's cost of} renewed in violation of this section, the manufacturer shall pay to the motorboat dealer:
 - (a) an amount that equals:
- (i) the dealer's cost of each new, undamaged, unsold, and unregistered {powersport vehicles in the franchisee's inventory} motorboat, motorboat motor, and trailer in the dealer's inventory that the dealer:
- (B) invoiced during the {: (A) 30-month period immediately before the day on which the franchise is terminated or not continued; or (B) 60-month 24-month period immediately before the day on which the {franchise is terminated or not continued, if the powersport vehicle is a motorboat or a motorboat trailer; (ii) any charges made by the franchisor agreement terminates or is not renewed; minus
 - (ii) each applicable dealer rebate and discount;
 - (b) for each charge the manufacturer made for distribution, delivery, or taxes;
- (\{\frac{\text{iii}}{\text{c}}\) an amount that equals the \{\frac{\text{franchisee's}}{\text{dealer's}}\) cost \{\text{of any}\}\) for accessories added on a \{\text{vehicle}; \(\text{(iv)}\) the cost of\}\) motorboat or trailer;
 - (d) an amount that equals:
- (i) the cost of all new, undamaged, and unsold supplies, parts, and accessories { as set forth in the franchisor's catalog at the time of termination or noncontinuation less all allowances}, as advertised in the manufacturer's catalog or website on the day on which the agreement terminates or is not renewed; minus
 - (ii) all allowance the manufacturer paid or credited to the \{\text{franchisee by the franchisor}\};
 - (v) except as provided in Subsection (1)(c),} dealer;
- (e) an amount that equals the greater of the fair market value {, but not less than} for or the {franchisee's} dealer's depreciated acquisition cost {,} of {each undamaged sign owned by

the franchisee that bears a common a sign, if:

- (i) the manufacturer required or recommended the dealer to acquire the sign;
- (ii) the sign bears the manufacturer's name, trade name, or trademark of the franchisor if acquisition of the sign was recommended or required by the franchisor; (vi) };
 - (iii) the sign is undamaged; and
 - (iv) the dealer owns the sign;
- (f) an amount that equals the greater of the fair market value {, but not less than} for or the {franchisee's} dealer's depreciated acquisition cost {,} of all special tools, equipment, and furnishings:
- (i) acquired from the {franchisor or sources approved by the franchisor that were recommended or required by the franchisor and} manufacturer or a source the manufacturer approved;
 - (ii) that the manufacturer required the dealer to acquire; and
 - (iii) that are in good and usable condition; and
- (\{\forall \text{vii}\}\)g) the cost of transporting, handling, packing, and loading \{\text{powersport}\} \\
 \text{vehicles}\{\text{all motorboats, motorboat motors, trailers, supplies, parts, accessories, signs, special tools, equipment, and furnishings.}
- (b) The franchisor may deduct the sum of all allowances paid or credited to the franchisee by the franchisor from the amount owed under Subsection (1)(a).
- (c) If a franchisee has a sign with multiple manufacturers listed, the franchisor shall pay only for [its] the franchisor's pro rata portion of the sign}
- (3) A manufacturer shall pay a motorboat dealer the amounts described in Subsection (\{1)(a)(v).
- (}2{) The franchisor shall pay the franchisee the amounts specified in Subsection (1}) within 90 days after the day on which the tender of the property to the {franchisor}manufacturer occurs, if the {franchisee}dealer has:
 - (a) clear title to the property; or
 - (b) the manufacturer's statement of origin.

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- (a) the \{\text{franchisee}\}\text{motorboat dealer; and}\{\text{to}\}
- (b) the holder of the security interest.

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Section \(\{4\}\)\(\frac{\mathbb{E}}{2}\). \(\{\text{Effective date.}}\) \(\text{This bill takes effect on October 15, 2021.}\)

13-58-402. Termination without time to cure.

<u>A manufacturer or distributor may terminate an agreement with a motorboat dealer</u> upon written notice and without a cure period described in Section 13-58-302, if:

- (1) the motorboat dealer:
- (a) financially defaults to the manufacturer, the distributor, or a financing source;
- (b) becomes subject to an order for relief, as defined in 11 U.S.C. Sec. 102;
- (c) files a voluntary petition in bankruptcy;
- (d) has had an involuntary petition in bankruptcy filed against the motorboat dealer;
- (e) engages in an act of material fraud in relation to the performance of a right or obligation under the agreement;
 - (f) is a corporation that ceases to exist;
 - (g) becomes insolvent;
- (h) takes or fails to take an action that constitutes an admission of inability to pay debts as the debts mature;
- (i) makes a general assignment for the benefit of creditors to an agent authorized to liquidate any substantial amount of assets;
 - (i) applies to a court for the appointment of a receiver for any assets or properties;
- (k) fails to substantially comply with a federal, state, or local law, rule, regulation, ordinance, or order applicable to the agreement;
- (1) receives three valid notices of a default under Section 13-58-302 for the same default within a 12-month period, regardless of whether the dealer cures the default;
 - (m) transfers an interest in the dealership without the manufacturer's written consent;
- (n) has pleaded guilty to or has been convicted of a felony, or of any misdemeanor relating to the relationship between the motorboat dealer and manufacturer;
- (o) or one of the owners of the motorboat dealer is convicted or enters a plea of nolo contendere to a felony; or

- (p) makes a material misrepresentation;
- (2) there is a closeout or sale of a substantial part of the dealer's assets related to the motorboat dealership;
 - (3) there is a commencement or dissolution or liquidation of the motorboat dealership;
- (4) there is a change without the prior written approval of the manufacturer in the location of the motorboat dealer's principal place of business under the dealership agreement; or
 - (5) the motorboat dealer's license is suspended, revoked, or is not renewed.