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Marine Products and Motorized Recreational Products Act

HB 177 Sponsor Statement

House Bill 177 implements consumer protection for ATV's, snowmobiles, boat motors, and other recreational vehicles vital for transportation and economics in Alaska.

House Bill 177 requires a manufacturer to replace a defective product or refund the price of the product if the product is unusable by the purchaser for more than 30 days in the first year of the purchase because of a defect in the product or if the defect has been unsuccessfully repaired four times.

The bill has eliminated provisions that are contractual issues and has implemented statutes to deal with cancellation, nonrenewal, and transfer of dealership agreements and the repurchase of products should the manufacturer cancel or choose not to renew a dealership contract.

House Bill 177 also requires posting of warranty policies, mechanics paid on commission, and any indirect repair charges such as diagnostics and storage for consumers.

Alaska has extensive statutory requirements for motor vehicle transactions but no protection for consumers purchasing defective snowmobiles, four-wheelers, and boat motors that are just as essential in Alaska as motor vehicles.