BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 60th Legislature

Bill No.: SB377 Version: ENGR

Request Number:

Author: Rep. Bashore Date: 4/9/2025 Impact: \$0

Research Analysis

The engrossed version of SB 377 prohibits equipment suppliers from preventing dealers from selling competing brands or requiring separate facilities for different brands. However, suppliers can restrict a dealer from selling competing products if the dealer sources at least 80 percent of its new equipment from that supplier and has annual sales exceeding \$40 million from that supplier over the past five years.

The measure also prohibits a supplier from unreasonably withholding consent to a dealer's sale or transfer of business request without good cause. A change in dealer management does not constitute good cause unless the supplier can prove the change is detrimental to the representation of the supplier's products.

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Fiscal Analysis

The Engrossed version of SB377 modifies statutory provisions relating to the practices of private manufacturers, distributors, wholesalers, and dealers. In its current form, this measure is not anticipated to have a material impact on state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.

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