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## VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY - CHAPTER

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 46.2-1572.3, relating to waivers of rights by motor vehicle dealers.

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## Approved

## 6 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

7 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 46.2-1572.3 as follows:

**8** § 46.2-1572.3. Waiver prohibited.

9 No motor vehicle manufacturer, factory branch, distributor, distributor branch, or subsidiary thereof 10 shall obtain from a motor vehicle dealer a waiver of the dealer's rights by threatening to impose a 11 detriment upon the dealer's business or threatening to withhold from the dealer any entitlement, benefit, 12 or service required by law. This section shall not apply to good faith settlement of disputes, including 13 disputes pertaining to contract negotiations, in which a waiver is granted in exchange for fair 14 consideration in the form of a benefit conferred upon the dealer; however, this section shall apply to a 15 dispute as to whether a waiver of such rights by a motor vehicle dealer has been obtained in violation

16 of this section.

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