

1-1 By: McCall, Raymond (Senate Sponsor - Shapiro) H.B. No. 1076  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House April 28, 2003;  
1-3 April 30, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Business and Commerce; May 8, 2003, reported favorably by the  
1-5 following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; May 8, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the ownership of a motor vehicle dealership.

1-9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-10 SECTION 1. Section 2301.476, Occupations Code, is amended  
1-11 by adding Subsection (i) to read as follows:

1-12 (i) Notwithstanding the terms of this chapter, and subject  
1-13 to the limitations set forth in this subsection, a manufacturer or  
1-14 distributor may own an interest in an entity that holds a general  
1-15 distinguishing number if the entity:

1-16 (1) is primarily engaged in the business of renting to  
1-17 other persons passenger vehicles or commercial motor vehicles that  
1-18 the entity owns; and

1-19 (2) sells or offers for sale no vehicle other than a  
1-20 vehicle that the entity:

1-21 (A) owns and has taken from service in its rental  
1-22 fleet; or

1-23 (B) has taken in trade as part of a transaction  
1-24 involving the sale of a vehicle taken from service in its rental  
1-25 fleet.

1-26 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-27 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-28 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-29 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-30 Act takes effect June 1, 2003.

1-31 SECTION 3. The importance of this legislation and the  
1-32 crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an  
1-33 emergency and an imperative public necessity that the  
1-34 constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several  
1-35 days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

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