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CHAPTER 150

SENATE BILL 1381

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTIONS 20-1095, 20-1095.01, 20-1095.02, 20-1095.03 AND 20-1095.04, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; REPEALING SECTION 20-1095.06, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 20, CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 11, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 20-1095.06; AMENDING SECTION 20-1095.07, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO SERVICE COMPANIES.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona: Section 1. Section 20-1095, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 2 3 read: 4 20-1095. Definitions In this article, unless the context otherwise requires: 5 6 "Consumer" means a buyer other than for purposes of resale of 1. 7 any consumer product, any person to whom the product is transferred during 8 the duration of an implied or written warranty or service contract 9 applicable to the product and any other person who is entitled by the 10 terms of the warranty or service contract or under applicable federal or 11 state law to enforce against the warrantor or service company the 12 obligations of the warranty or service contract. 🛧 Consumer also means the buyer, OWNER, LESSOR or seller of residential property. 13 14 2. "Consumer product" means any tangible personal property which THAT is distributed in commerce and which THAT is normally used solely for 15 personal, family or household purposes including any such property 16 17 intended to be attached to or installed in any real property without 18 regard to whether it is so attached or installed. 19 3. "Home warranty or home protection contract" means a service 20 contract as defined in paragraph 8-7, subdivision (b), ITEM (i) of this 21 section. 22 4. "Mechanical reimbursement insurance" means an insurance policy 23 issued to a motor vehicle dealer to insure the performance of a motor 24 vehicle service contract to a consumer if the motor vehicle dealer or the service contract administrator becomes insolvent or ceases to do business. 25 26 All such policies shall provide that all purchasers of motor vehicle 27 service contracts are covered if the motor vehicle dealer, the service 28 contract administrator or the insurer becomes insolvent or ceases to do 29 business. AN OBLIGOR TO EITHER PROVIDE REIMBURSEMENT TO THE OBLIGOR UNDER 30 THE TERMS OF THE INSURED SERVICE CONTRACTS ISSUED OR SOLD BY THE OBLIGOR OR, IN THE EVENT OF THE OBLIGOR'S NONPERFORMANCE, TO PAY ON BEHALF OF THE 31 32 OBLIGOR ALL COVERED CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS INCURRED BY THE OBLIGOR UNDER 33 THE TERMS OF THE INSURED SERVICE CONTRACTS ISSUED OR SOLD BY THE OBLIGOR. 34 5. "Motor vehicle service contract program" means contractual 35 documents, including service contract forms, claim forms and other forms, 36 used in connection with the sale of service contracts by motor vehicle 37 dealers. 38 6. 5. "Residential property" means a house, townhouse, condominium 39 or other habitable structure consisting of no more than four units which 40 THAT is used principally as a residence. 41 7. 6. "Service company" OR "OBLIGOR" means any person who performs or arranges to perform services pursuant to a service contract which the 42 person issues THAT IS CONTRACTUALLY OBLIGATED TO THE CONTRACT HOLDER UNDER 43 THE TERMS OF THE SERVICE CONTRACT. SERVICE COMPANY DOES NOT INCLUDE A 44 45 SERVICE CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION OR SELLER IF THE PERSON IS NOT

1 CONTRACTUALLY OBLIGATED TO THE CONTRACT HOLDER UNDER THE TERMS OF THE 2 SERVICE CONTRACT.

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8. 7. "Service contract":

4 (a) Means a written contract for a prepaid separately stated 5 consideration to perform, over a fixed period of time or for a specified 6 duration, services relating to the maintenance or repair, including 7 replacement, of:

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(a) A consumer product.

9 (b) All or any part of the structural components, the appliances or 10 the electrical, plumbing, heating, cooling or air conditioning systems of residential property. OR AGREEMENT FOR A SEPARATELY STATED CONSIDERATION 11 FOR ANY DURATION TO PERFORM THE REPAIR. REPLACEMENT OR MAINTENANCE OF A 12 CONSUMER PRODUCT OR INDEMNIFICATION FOR REPAIR, REPLACEMENT OR MAINTENANCE 13 14 FOR THE OPERATIONAL OR STRUCTURAL FAILURE OF A CONSUMER PRODUCT DUE TO A DEFECT IN MATERIALS, WORKMANSHIP, ACCIDENTAL DAMAGE FROM HANDLING, A 15 16 POWER SURGE OR INTERRUPTION OR NORMAL WEAR AND TEAR, WITH OR WITHOUT 17 ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS FOR INCIDENTAL PAYMENT OF INDEMNITY UNDER LIMITED 18 CIRCUMSTANCES, INCLUDING TOWING, RENTAL AND EMERGENCY ROAD SERVICE AND 19 ROAD HAZARD PROTECTION.

20 (b) INCLUDES A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT SOLD FOR A SEPARATELY STATED 21 CONSIDERATION FOR ANY DURATION THAT PROVIDES FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

(i) THE SERVICE, MAINTENANCE OR REPAIR, INCLUDING REPLACEMENT, OF
ALL OR ANY PART OF STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS, APPLIANCES, ELECTRICAL,
PLUMBING, HEATING, COOLING OR AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEMS OF RESIDENTIAL
PROPERTY OR INDEMNIFICATION FOR THE SERVICE, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR OR
REPLACEMENT.

27 (ii) THE REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT OF TIRES OR WHEELS ON A MOTOR
28 VEHICLE DAMAGED AS A RESULT OF COMING INTO CONTACT WITH ROAD HAZARDS
29 INCLUDING POTHOLES, ROCKS, WOOD DEBRIS, METAL PARTS, GLASS, PLASTIC, CURBS
30 OR COMPOSITE SCRAPS.

(iii) THE REMOVAL OF DENTS, DINGS OR CREASES ON A MOTOR VEHICLE
 THAT CAN BE REPAIRED USING THE PROCESS OF PAINTLESS DENT REMOVAL WITHOUT
 AFFECTING THE EXISTING PAINT FINISH AND WITHOUT REPLACING VEHICLE BODY
 PANELS, SANDING, BONDING OR PAINTING.

35 (iv) THE REPLACEMENT OF A MOTOR VEHICLE KEY OR KEY FOB IN THE EVENT
 36 THAT THE KEY OR KEY FOB BECOMES INOPERABLE OR IS LOST OR STOLEN.

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(v) OTHER SERVICES OR PRODUCTS APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR.

38 9. 8. "Service contract administrator" means an entity which 39 agrees to provide contract forms, process claims and procure insurance for 40 and on behalf of a motor vehicle dealer in the performance of the 41 obligations pursuant to the motor vehicle service contract but which may 42 not itself perform actual repairs A PERSON WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE 43 ADMINISTRATION OF THE SERVICE CONTRACTS OR THE SERVICE CONTRACTS PLAN OR 44 WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER THIS ARTICLE.

1	10. 9. "Warranty" means:
2	(a) Any written affirmation by a manufacturer or seller of fact or
3	written promise made in connection with the sale of a consumer product
4	which THAT relates to the nature of the material or workmanship and
5	affirms or promises that the material or workmanship is free of defects or
6	will meet a specified level of performance over a specified period of
7	time.
8	(b) Any undertaking by a manufacturer or seller in writing in
9	connection with the sale of a consumer product to refund, repair, replace
10	or take other remedial action with respect to such a product if the
11	product fails to meet the specifications set forth in the undertaking,
12	which written affirmation, promise or undertaking becomes part of the
13	basis of the bargain for purposes other than resale of such product and if
14	there is no separate identifiable charge to the consumer.
15	Sec. 2. Section 20-1095.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
16	read:
17	20–1095.01. <u>Service companies; permits; rules; application of</u>
18	laws
19	A. No A service company may NOT offer or issue a service contract
20	unless the service company has qualified for and been issued a permit by
21	the director.
22	B. EXCEPT FOR THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS IN THIS ARTICLE
23	APPLICABLE TO SERVICE COMPANIES, SERVICE COMPANIES AND RELATED SERVICE
24	CONTRACT SELLERS, ADMINISTRATORS AND OTHER PERSONS THAT MARKET, SELL OR
25	OFFER TO SELL SERVICE CONTRACTS ARE EXEMPT FROM ANY LICENSING REQUIREMENTS
26	OF THIS TITLE AS A RESULT OF ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE MARKETING, SELLING
27	OR OFFERING OF SERVICE CONTRACTS.
28	B. C. The director shall adopt rules and regulations which THAT
29	provide for the application for permit, renewal procedures, fees, refund
30	of the unearned portion of the contract price and approval of forms.
31	Service companies are subject to the provisions of chapter 1 of this
32	title, EXCEPT SECTION 20-116, and to this article.
33	D. A PROVIDER SHALL PROVIDE A CONSUMER WITH A SPECIMEN COPY OF THE
34	SERVICE CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS PRIOR TO THE TIME OF SALE UPON A
35	REQUEST BY THE CONSUMER. A PROVIDER MAY COMPLY WITH THIS PROVISION BY
36	PROVIDING THE CONSUMER WITH A COMPLETE SAMPLE COPY OF THE TERMS AND
37	CONDITIONS OR BY DIRECTING THE CONSUMER TO A WEBSITE CONTAINING A COMPLETE
38	SAMPLE OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE SERVICE CONTRACT.
39	Sec. 3. Section 20-1095.02, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
40	read:
41	20-1095.02. <u>Exemptions; definition</u>
42	A. This article, except for section 20-1095.09, does not apply to
43	the following:

1 1. Warranties issued by manufacturers, builders or sellers on the actual items, structures or improvements that they manufacture, build or 2 3 sell.

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2. Service contract programs if a motor vehicle manufacturer OR MOTOR VEHICLE DEALER has financial responsibility for performance.

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3. Warranties and service contracts issued by a corporation other 7 than a manufacturer or seller in connection with consumer products that 8 are distributed by the corporation if the issuing corporation:

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(a) Is an affiliate of a consumer products manufacturer.

10 (b) By March 1 of each year submits to the director an 11 independently audited financial statement in which at least one officer of 12 the issuing corporation attests and a certified public accountant certifies that the issuing corporation has and maintains a net worth in 13 14 excess of one hundred million dollars. Any information, documents and copies that are obtained by or disclosed to the director or any other 15 16 person pursuant to this subdivision are not available for public 17 inspection, except that the director may use this information in any 18 proceeding relating to this article.

19 4. A service company that issues a service contract to persons 20 other than a consumer.

21 5. A service company that is in the business of selling or 22 servicing any one of the following, if the service contract only covers 23 the actual item the service company sells:

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(a) Appliances or electronic equipment, or both.

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(b) Residential heating, cooling or air conditioning systems.

(c) Mechanical equipment, other than motor vehicles or their 26 27 components.

28 6. A service company only to the extent that it is in the business 29 of selling or servicing directly, or through other retailers, cell phones 30 and other electronic personal communications devices and accessories.

7. Any person licensed pursuant to title 32, chapter 10, or not 31 32 required to be licensed because exempt pursuant to section 32-1121, subsection A, paragraph 13 whose service contract only covers the actual 33 34 items, structures or improvements that the person installs, constructs or 35 builds.

36 8. A maintenance agreement of limited duration that provides for 37 scheduled maintenance only and does not include repair or replacement.

38 B. The director may employ independent examiners pursuant to 39 section 20-156 to review and analyze the financial statements that are 40 submitted pursuant to subsection A, paragraph 3 of this section.

41 C. A motor vehicle dealer who is licensed under title 28, chapter 42 10, who sells a service contract program approved by the director pursuant 43 to section 20-1095.06 and who notifies the director pursuant to section 44 20-1095.07 shall be exempt from the remainder of the requirements of this 45 article.

1 C. THE TYPES OF AGREEMENTS REFERRED TO IN SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION ARE NOT INSURANCE AND ARE NOT REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH THE 2 INSURANCE LAWS OF THIS STATE UNLESS A PROVISION IS MADE EXPRESSLY 3 4 APPLICABLE IN THIS ARTICLE. 5 D. For the purposes of this section, "affiliate" means а 6 corporation that is owned or controlled by or is under common control with 7 a manufacturer. Sec. 4. Section 20-1095.03, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 8 9 read: 20-1095.03. Qualifications for permit 10 11 A. The director shall not issue a permit to a service company 12 unless all of the following conditions are met: 1. If the applicant is a corporation, The applicant is a solvent 13 14 corporation incorporated AND ORGANIZED under the laws of this state or another state, district, territory or possession of the United States. 15 16 2. The applicant furnishes proof as necessary to the director that 17 the directors and management of the service company are competent and trustworthy and are capable of successfully managing the service company's 18 19 affairs in compliance with law. 20 3. The applicant EITHER: 21 (a) Files cash, alternatives to cash or a surety bond OR AN 22 ALTERNATIVE TO A SURETY BOND as required by section 20-1095.04. (b) IS INSURED BY A MECHANICAL REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE POLICY 23 ISSUED BY AN INSURER AUTHORIZED TO DO BUSINESS IN THIS STATE AND PROVIDES 24 25 A COPY OF THE POLICY TO THE DIRECTOR. 4. The applicant is in compliance and continues to be in compliance 26 27 with all applicable laws. 28 5. The applicant pays the initial fee prescribed in section 20-167. 29 This article does not require the director to determine the Β. 30 actual financial condition or claims practices of any service company, 31 motor vehicle dealer or service contract administrator. The approval of a 32 service contract program or the issuance of a SERVICE COMPANY permit 33 indicates only that the entity appears to be financially sound and to have 34 satisfactory claims practices and that the director has no credible 35 evidence to the contrary. 36 Sec. 5. Section 20-1095.04, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 37 read: 38 20-1095.04. Filing of surety bond, securities or bonds A. To **assure** ENSURE faithful performance of its obligations to 39 40 contract holders, every service company ELECTING TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 20-1095.03, SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 3, SUBDIVISION (a) shall, prior to 41 BEFORE the issuance of a permit, SHALL file with or for the benefit of the 42 director cash or alternatives to cash which A SURETY BOND THAT COMPLIES 43 WITH SUBSECTION C OF THIS SECTION AND THAT at all times have HAS a value 44 45 of at least one hundred thousand dollars.

1 B. The service company may file alternatives to cash such as 2 certificates of deposit purchased from a financial institution licensed to 3 conduct business in this state A SURETY BOND IN THE FORM OF SECURITIES ELIGIBLE FOR THE INVESTMENT OF CAPITAL FUNDS OF DOMESTIC INSURERS UNDER 4 5 THIS TITLE or bonds of the United States government.

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C. In lieu of the cash or alternatives to cash required by this 7 section, the applicant may file with the director A surety bond in the 8 amount required by THAT IS FILED UNDER subsection A which is OF THIS 9 SECTION MUST BE issued by a surety insurer licensed to do business in this 10 state and which is MUST BE for the same purpose as required in subsection A OF THIS SECTION. The surety bond is subject to the approval 11 12 of the director. The surety insurer shall not cancel the bond or subject the bond to cancellation unless thirty days' written notice is given to 13 14 the director.

D. If alternatives to cash are made in the form of certificates of 15 deposit or a SECURITIES OR BONDS OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT ARE FILED 16 AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO A SURETY bond, *it* THE SECURITIES OR BONDS shall be 17 18 irrevocably pledged to the director. The service company is entitled to 19 any accrued interest earned from the alternatives to cash SECURITIES OR 20 BONDS.

21 E. The service company shall not impair or encumber the cash, 22 alternatives to cash or surety bond, SECURITIES OR BONDS OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT filed under this section and shall pledge the cash, 23 24 alternatives to cash or surety bond SAME to the director. The service company shall maintain the cash, alternatives to cash or surety bond, 25 26 SECURITIES OR BONDS OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT in force until such 27 time as all of the service company's contractual obligations to contract 28 holders are fulfilled.

29 F. NOTWITHSTANDING SECTIONS 20-116 AND 35-155. A SERVICE COMPANY 30 MAY NOT USE A CASH DEPOSIT TO COMPLY WITH THIS SECTION.

31 32 Sec. 6. Repeal

Section 20-1095.06, Arizona Revised Statutes, is repealed.

33 Sec. 7. Title 20, chapter 4, article 11, Arizona Revised Statutes, 34 is amended by adding a new section 20-1095.06, to read:

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20-1095.06. Required service contract disclosures

36 A. EACH SERVICE COMPANY HOLDING A SERVICE COMPANY PERMIT SHALL SUBMIT ALL SERVICE CONTRACT FORMS TO THE DIRECTOR FOR APPROVAL AT LEAST 37 38 THIRTY DAYS BEFORE THE PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE FORM. A FORM MAY NOT 39 BE USED UNTIL IT IS APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR OR HAS BEEN ON FILE WITH THE 40 DIRECTOR MORE THAN THIRTY DAYS.

THE DIRECTOR MAY NOT APPROVE A SERVICE CONTRACT IF: Β.

THE SERVICE CONTRACT MAY BE CANCELED OR VOIDED DUE TO ACTS OR 42 1. OMISSIONS OF THE SERVICE COMPANY OR ITS ASSIGNEES OR SUBCONTRACTORS FOR 43 THEIR FAILURE TO PROVIDE CORRECT INFORMATION OR THEIR FAILURE TO PERFORM 44

1 THE SERVICES OR REPAIRS PROVIDED IN A TIMELY, COMPETENT AND WORKMANLIKE 2 MANNER. 3 PARTS OR COMPONENTS REPAIRED OR REPLACED UNDER THE SERVICE 2. 4 CONTRACT ARE EXCLUDED. 3. THE SERVICE CONTRACT MAY BE CANCELED OR VOIDED BY THE SERVICE 5 6 COMPANY OR ITS REPRESENTATIVES FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING REASONS: 7 (a) PREEXISTING CONDITIONS THAT WERE KNOWN OR THAT REASONABLY SHOULD HAVE BEEN KNOWN BY THE SERVICE COMPANY OR THE PERSON SELLING THE 8 9 SERVICE CONTRACT ON THE SERVICE COMPANY'S BEHALF. 10 (b) PRIOR USE OR UNLAWFUL ACTS RELATING TO THE PRODUCT. 11 (c) MISREPRESENTATION BY EITHER THE SERVICE COMPANY OR THE PERSON 12 SELLING THE SERVICE CONTRACT ON THE SERVICE COMPANY'S BEHALF. C. SERVICE CONTRACTS MAY NOT BE ISSUED, SOLD OR OFFERED FOR SALE IN 13 14 THIS STATE UNLESS THE SERVICE COMPANY HAS PROVIDED BOTH: 1. A RECEIPT FOR OR OTHER WRITTEN EVIDENCE OF THE PURCHASE OF THE 15 16 SERVICE CONTRACT TO THE CONTRACT HOLDER. 17 2. A COPY OF THE SERVICE CONTRACT TO THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER 18 WITHIN A REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME FROM THE DATE OF PURCHASE. D. SERVICE CONTRACTS THAT ARE MARKETED, SOLD, OFFERED FOR SALE, 19 ISSUED, MADE, PROPOSED TO BE MADE OR ADMINISTERED IN THIS STATE SHALL BE 20 WRITTEN, PRINTED OR TYPED IN CLEAR, UNDERSTANDABLE LANGUAGE THAT IS EASY 21 22 TO READ AND SHALL DISCLOSE THE FOLLOWING. AS APPLICABLE: 23 1. SERVICE CONTRACTS THAT ARE INSURED UNDER A MECHANICAL REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE POLICY PURSUANT TO SECTION 20-1095.03. SUBSECTION 24 A, PARAGRAPH 3, SUBDIVISION (b) SHALL STATE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE 25 INSURER AND CONTAIN A STATEMENT IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM: 26 27 "OBLIGATIONS OF THE OBLIGOR UNDER THIS SERVICE CONTRACT ARE INSURED UNDER 28 A MECHANICAL SERVICE CONTRACT REIMBURSEMENT INSURANCE POLICY". 29 2. SERVICE CONTRACTS THAT ARE NOT INSURED UNDER A REIMBURSEMENT 30 INSURANCE POLICY PURSUANT TO SECTION 20-1095.03, SUBSECTION A, PARAGRAPH 3, SUBDIVISION (b) SHALL CONTAIN A STATEMENT IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE 31 FOLLOWING FORM: "OBLIGATIONS OF THE OBLIGOR UNDER THIS SERVICE CONTRACT 32 ARE BACKED BY THE FULL FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE OBLIGOR". 33 34 3. SERVICE CONTRACTS SHALL STATE THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE 35 OBLIGOR AND SHALL IDENTIFY AN ADMINISTRATOR IF DIFFERENT FROM THE OBLIGOR, 36 THE SERVICE CONTRACT SELLER AND THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER TO THE EXTENT THAT THE NAME OF THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER HAS BEEN FURNISHED BY THE 37 38 SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER. THE IDENTITIES OF THESE PARTIES ARE NOT REQUIRED 39 TO BE PREPRINTED ON THE SERVICE CONTRACT AND MAY BE ADDED TO THE SERVICE 40 CONTRACT AT THE TIME OF SALE. 4. SERVICE CONTRACTS SHALL STATE THE TOTAL PURCHASE PRICE OF THE 41 SERVICE CONTRACT. THE PURCHASE PRICE IS NOT REQUIRED TO BE PREPRINTED ON 42 THE SERVICE CONTRACT AND MAY BE NEGOTIATED AT THE TIME OF SALE WITH THE 43

44 SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER.

1 5. SERVICE CONTRACTS SHALL STATE THE EXISTENCE OF A DEDUCTIBLE 2 AMOUNT, IF APPLICABLE.

6. SERVICE CONTRACTS SHALL SPECIFY THE MERCHANDISE AND SERVICES TO
BE PROVIDED AND ANY LIMITS, EXCEPTIONS OR EXCLUSIONS. EXCLUSIONS FROM
COVERAGE SHALL BE IN BOLD-FACED TYPE. SERVICE CONTRACTS MAY, BUT ARE NOT
REQUIRED TO, COVER DAMAGE RESULTING FROM RUST, CORROSION OR DAMAGE CAUSED
BY A NONCOVERED PART OR SYSTEM.

8 7. SERVICE CONTRACTS COVERING AUTOMOBILES SHALL STATE WHETHER THE9 USE OF NONORIGINAL MANUFACTURERS' PARTS IS ALLOWED.

10 8. SERVICE CONTRACTS SHALL STATE ANY RESTRICTIONS GOVERNING THE 11 TRANSFERABILITY OF THE SERVICE CONTRACT, IF APPLICABLE.

12 9. SERVICE CONTRACTS SHALL STATE THE TERMS. RESTRICTIONS 0R CONDITIONS GOVERNING CANCELLATION OF THE SERVICE CONTRACT BEFORE THE 13 14 TERMINATION OR EXPIRATION DATE OF THE SERVICE CONTRACT BY EITHER THE SERVICE COMPANY OR THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER. AT A MINIMUM, A SERVICE 15 16 CONTRACT SHALL PROVIDE FOR A PRO RATA REFUND AFTER DEDUCTING FOR BENEFITS 17 PAID AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CANCELLATION. THF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES MAY NOT EXCEED TEN PERCENT OF THE GROSS AMOUNT 18 PAID BY THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER FOR THE SERVICE CONTRACT. 19

2010. SERVICE CONTRACTS SHALL SET FORTH ALL OF THE OBLIGATIONS AND21DUTIES OF THE SERVICE CONTRACT HOLDER, INCLUDING THE DUTY TO PROTECT22AGAINST ANY FURTHER DAMAGE AND ANY REQUIREMENT TO FOLLOW OWNER'S MANUAL.

23 11. SERVICE CONTRACTS SHALL DISCLOSE THE MATERIAL ACTS OR OMISSIONS
24 OF THE CONTRACT HOLDER THAT CANCEL OR VOID COVERAGE, IF ANY.

12. A SERVICE CONTRACT MAY NOT EXCLUDE PREEXISTING CONDITIONS IF
 SUCH CONDITIONS WERE KNOWN OR SHOULD REASONABLY HAVE BEEN KNOWN BY THE
 SERVICE COMPANY OR THE PERSON SELLING THE SERVICE CONTRACT ON THE SERVICE
 COMPANY'S BEHALF.

29 E. BROCHURES AND OTHER ADVERTISING OR MARKETING MATERIALS ARE NOT30 REQUIRED TO BE FILED WITH OR APPROVED BY THE DIRECTOR.

31 Sec. 8. Section 20-1095.07, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 32 read:

33 34 20-1095.07. <u>Sale of unapproved service contract; violation;</u> <u>classification</u>

A. Any licensed motor vehicle dealer, acting through its regularly
 employed sales personnel, may sell any motor vehicle service contract
 program approved pursuant to section 20-1095.06.

38 B. Prior to commencing the sale of any approved service contract 39 program, the licensed motor vehicle dealer shall, by certified mail, 40 inform the director of the intent to sell the identified program. No fee 41 is required for such notification.

42 C. The director shall maintain a file of all approved motor vehicle
 43 service contract programs and a list of the motor vehicle dealers selling
 44 a specific program.

1 D. A. A person who sells an unapproved motor vehicle service 2 contract program is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor.

3 E. B. A motor vehicle service contract is not invalid solely by 4 reason of not being approved as required by this article.

5 F. The director may adopt rules and regulations prescribing the 6 form of application for approval of a motor vehicle service contract 7 program, the form of surety bond, the criteria for the policy of

8 mechanical reimbursement insurance, refund of the unearned portion of the

9 contract price and to provide procedures for hearings in connection with

10 the disapproval of a motor vehicle service contract program.

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