

SB 982 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Business and Transportation

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Regulates the business relationship between equipment suppliers and equipment dealers. Specifies notice requirements and requires good cause for terminating the dealer agreement or other aspects of the business relationship. Specifies actions that constitute good cause and prohibits dealers from taking certain actions. Provides procedure and conditions under which a supplier must repurchase equipment upon termination of the dealer agreement. Outlines requirements for reimbursing dealers for service and repair parts for warranty claims. Authorizes a dealer to bring action to assert rights under the terms of the measure and specifies liability to which a supplier is subject for violating the measure's provisions. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Senate Bill 782 modifies the regulation of the relationship between manufacturers, suppliers and dealers of equipment such as farm implements, outdoor power equipment, landscaping equipment, construction and mining equipment, or off-road vehicles.