

By the Committee on Commerce and Tourism; and Senator Evers

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1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to used tires; prohibiting the sale of
3 unsafe used tires by used tire retailers; providing an
4 exception; providing what constitutes an unsafe used
5 tire; providing that a person who sells or offers for
6 sale an unsafe used tire commits an unfair and
7 deceptive trade practice; providing an effective date.
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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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11 Section 1. Sale of used tires.—

12 (1) It is unlawful for any used tire retailer in this state
13 to sell unsafe used tires. This section does not apply to a used
14 tire retailer who sells used tires for recapping.

15 (2) For purposes of this section, a used tire is considered
16 unsafe if the tire:

17 (a) Is worn to 2/32 of an inch tread depth or less on any
18 area of the tread;

19 (b) Has any damage exposing the reinforcing plies of the
20 tire, including any cuts, cracks, bulges, punctures, scrapes, or
21 wear;

22 (c) Has had an improper repair including:

23 1. Any repair made in the tread shoulder or belt edge area
24 of the tire;

25 2. Any puncture that has not been sealed or patched on the
26 inside and repaired with a cured rubber stem through to the
27 outside of the tire;

28 3. A repair to the sidewall or bead area of the tire; or

29 4. A puncture repair of damage larger than one-quarter of

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30 an inch;

31 (d) Has evidence of prior use of a temporary tire sealant
32 without evidence of a subsequent proper repair;

33 (e) Has its tire identification number defaced or removed;

34 (f) Has inner liner or bead damage; or

35 (g) Has an indication of internal separation, such as
36 bulges or local areas of irregular tread wear.

37 (3) A person who sells or offers for sale an unsafe used
38 tire in violation of this section commits an unfair and
39 deceptive trade practice as defined in part II of chapter 501,
40 Florida Statutes.

41 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.