

By Senator Evers

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1                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to used tire sales; prohibiting the  
3           sale of certain used passenger or light truck tires by  
4           a used tire retailer; designating what constitutes an  
5           unsafe used tire; providing that violations of the act  
6           are deceptive and unfair trade practices; providing an  
7           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 unsafe used tires.-

12           (1) A used tire retailer in this state may not sell unsafe  
13 used passenger or light truck tires for the purpose of mounting  
14 on a vehicle unless such tires are sold for recapping.

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

17           (a) Any area of the tread is worn to 2/32-inch tread depth  
18 or less.

19           (b) Damage to the tire, including any cut, crack, bulge,  
20 puncture, scrape, or wear, exposes the reinforcing plies of the  
21 tire.

22           (c) The tire has been improperly repaired in one or more of  
23 the following manners:

24           1. A repair made in the tread shoulder or belt edge area of  
25 the tire.

26           2. A puncture repair in which the tire has not been sealed  
27 or patched on the inside and repaired with a cured rubber stem  
28 through to the outside of the tire.

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

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30       4. A repair of a puncture larger than one-fourth of an  
31 inch.

32       (d) The tire shows evidence of prior use of a temporary  
33 tire sealant without evidence of a subsequent proper repair.

34       (e) The tire identification number has been defaced or  
35 removed.

36       (f) The tire has inner liner or bead damage.

37       (g) The tire shows evidence of internal separation, such as  
38 a bulge or local area of irregular tread wear.

39       (3) A person who knowingly violates this section commits a  
40 deceptive and unfair trade practice actionable under the Florida  
41 Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices Act pursuant to part II of  
42 chapter 501, Florida Statutes.

43       Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.