

80C.30 BURGLAR ALARM FRANCHISES.

A manufacturer of a burglar alarm product having been sold to a distributor in this state for at least five years may establish itself as a franchisor as provided in this section. Such franchisor may require a distributor to begin paying an annual franchise fee and/or a sign up fee for operations within this state provided the manufacturer gives an existing nonfranchised distributor ten years' notice of intent to establish a franchisor/franchisee relationship and grants an automatic extension of the existing distributor contractual arrangement during the notice period. The manufacturer may not establish any business in this state in competition with the distributor during the notice period. A manufacturer terminating an existing burglar alarm distributor contract in this state must wait ten years before opening a distributorship in this state.

History: 1988 c 561 s 2