

TITLE 6: CRIMES AND CRIMINAL PROCEDURES
DIVISION 3: MISCELLANEOUS OFFENSES

§ 3111. Sale by a Dealer of Motor Vehicle Not Conforming to Federal Safety Standards.

The sale or offer for sale by a dealer of a motor vehicle which is not covered by a certification issued under 49 U.S.C. § 30115, as amended, and regulations promulgated thereunder, is prohibited. For purposes of this section, “dealer” shall have the meaning as set forth in 9 CMC § 1102(g). Any person convicted of knowingly violating this subsection shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and may be punished by imprisonment of not more than one year or a fine of not more than \$2,000 or both.

Source: PL 11-12, § 3.

Commission Comment: PL 11-12, § 3, that created this section became effective on April 30, 1998. PL 11-12, § 1, set forth a statement of purpose as follows:

Section 1. Statement of Purpose. The Legislature finds that the Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards, as set forth in 49 U.S.C. § 30101, et seq., as amended, and all regulations promulgated thereunder, apply to the CNMI. Nevertheless, there continues to be motor vehicles imported into, sold and registered in the CNMI in violation of such safety standards. Accordingly, in order to safeguard the health, welfare and safety of the people of the Commonwealth, it is the purpose of this Act to prohibit the importation, sale by a dealer and registration of noncomplying vehicles.