

**551.2 Unfair discrimination in purchases.**

Any person, firm, association, company, or corporation, foreign or domestic, doing business in the state, and engaged in the business of purchasing for manufacture, storage, sale, or distribution, any commodity of commerce that shall, for the purpose of destroying the business of a competitor or creating a monopoly, discriminate between different sections, localities, communities or cities, in this state, by purchasing such commodity at a higher rate or price in one section, locality, community or city, than is paid for such commodity by such party in another section, locality, community or city, after making due allowance for the difference, if any, in the grade or quality, and in the actual cost of transportation from the point of purchase to the point of manufacture, sale, distribution, or storage, shall be deemed guilty of unfair discrimination, which is hereby prohibited and declared to be unlawful; provided, however, that prices made to meet competition in such section, locality, community or city shall not be in violation of this section.

[S13, §5028-b; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §9886; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §551.2]