Rhode Island Automatic Renewal Law

Title 6: Commercial Law - General Regulatory Provisions; Chapter 6-13: Unfair Sales Practices; Section 6-13-14

§ 6-13-14 Automatic lease renewal - Notice required. - (a) For purposes of this section, "automatic lease renewal" means a provision in a written lease of personal property providing that, unless the lessee gives written notice to the contrary, the lease shall be automatically renewed for an additional term at the end of the initial lease term or at the end of any subsequent lease term.

(b) Subject to the exclusions stated in subsection (d) of this section, every lessor of personal property under a written lease containing an automatic lease renewal shall give written notice to the lessee not more than ninety (90) nor less than forty-five (45) days prior to the expiration of the lease term. The notice shall state the date upon which the lease term will expire and shall advise the lessee that the lease will be automatically renewed unless the lessee gives written notice to the contrary.

(c) In the event that the lessor fails to give notice as required by subsection (b) of this section, the automatic lease renewal shall be voidable at the option of the lessee.

(d) This section shall not apply to any lease having a term of less than one year. This section shall not apply to any lease wherein the fair market value of the property being leased exceeds one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) on the date the lease is executed. T