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A BILL FOR AN ACT

CONCERNING THE "UNIFORM REGISTRATION OF CANADIAN MONEY

JUDGMENTS ACT".

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://leg.colorado.gov/.)

Colorado Commission on Uniform State Laws. The bill enacts the "Uniform Registration of Canadian Money Judgments Act" as an alternative to the current "Uniform Foreign-country Judgments Registration Act".

1	Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:
2	SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add article 62.3 to
3	title 13 as follows:
4	ARTICLE 62.3
5	Uniform Registration of Canadian
6	Money Judgments Act
7	13-62.3-101. Short title. This article 62 .3 may be cited as the
8	"Uniform Registration of Canadian Money Judgments Act".
9	13-62.3-102. Definitions. IN THIS ARTICLE 62.3:
10	(1) "CANADA" MEANS THE SOVEREIGN NATION OF CANADA AND
11	ITS PROVINCES AND TERRITORIES. "CANADIAN" HAS A CORRESPONDING
12	MEANING.
13	(2) "CANADIAN JUDGMENT" MEANS A JUDGMENT OF A COURT OF
14	CANADA, OTHER THAN A JUDGMENT THAT RECOGNIZES THE JUDGMENT OF
15	ANOTHER FOREIGN COUNTRY.
16	13-62.3-103. Applicability. (1) This article 62.3 applies to a
17	CANADIAN JUDGMENT TO THE EXTENT THE JUDGMENT IS WITHIN THE
18	SCOPE OF SECTION 13-62-103, IF RECOGNITION OF THE JUDGMENT IS
19	SOUGHT TO ENFORCE THE JUDGMENT.
20	(2) A CANADIAN JUDGMENT THAT GRANTS BOTH RECOVERY OF A
21	SUM OF MONEY AND OTHER RELIEF MAY BE REGISTERED UNDER THIS
22	ARTICLE 62.3, BUT ONLY TO THE EXTENT OF THE GRANT OF A SUM OF
23	MONEY.
24	(3) A CANADIAN JUDGMENT REGARDING SUBJECT MATTER BOTH
25	WITHIN AND NOT WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THIS ARTICLE 62.3 MAY BE
26	REGISTERED UNDER THIS ARTICLE 62.3, BUT ONLY TO THE EXTENT THE
27	JUDGMENT RELATES TO SUBJECT MATTER WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THIS

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1	ARTICLE 62.3.
2	13-62.3-104. Registration of Canadian judgment. (1) A PERSON
3	SEEKING RECOGNITION OF A CANADIAN JUDGMENT TO ENFORCE THE
4	JUDGMENT MAY REGISTER THE JUDGMENT IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF
5	A COURT IN WHICH AN ACTION FOR RECOGNITION OF THE JUDGMENT COULD
6	BE FILED UNDER SECTION 13-62-106.
7	(2) A REGISTRATION UNDER SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION
8	MUST BE EXECUTED BY THE PERSON REGISTERING THE JUDGMENT OR THE
9	PERSON'S ATTORNEY AND INCLUDE:
10	(a) A COPY OF THE CANADIAN JUDGMENT AUTHENTICATED AS
11	ACCURATE BY THE COURT THAT ENTERED THE JUDGMENT;
12	(b) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON REGISTERING THE
13	JUDGMENT;
14	(c) If the Person registering the Judgment is not the Person
15	IN WHOSE FAVOR THE JUDGMENT WAS RENDERED, A STATEMENT
16	DESCRIBING THE INTEREST IN THE JUDGMENT OF THE PERSON REGISTERING
17	THE JUDGMENT THAT ENTITLES THE PERSON TO SEEK ITS RECOGNITION
18	AND ENFORCEMENT;
19	(d) The name and last-known address of the Person
20	AGAINST WHOM THE JUDGMENT IS BEING REGISTERED;
21	(e) If the judgment is of the type described in section
22	13-62.3-103 (2) OR (3), A DESCRIPTION OF THE PART OF THE JUDGMENT
23	BEING REGISTERED;
24	(f) THE AMOUNT OF THE JUDGMENT OR PART OF THE JUDGMENT
25	BEING REGISTERED, IDENTIFYING:
26	(I) THE AMOUNT OF INTEREST ACCRUED AS OF THE DATE OF
27	REGISTRATION ON THE JUDGMENT OR PART OF THE JUDGMENT BEING

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1	REGISTERED, INCLUDING THE RATE OF INTEREST, THE PART OF THE
2	JUDGMENT TO WHICH INTEREST APPLIES, AND THE DATE WHEN INTEREST
3	BEGAN;
4	(II) COSTS AND EXPENSES INCLUDED IN THE JUDGMENT OR PART OF
5	THE JUDGMENT BEING REGISTERED, OTHER THAN AN AMOUNT AWARDED
6	FOR ATTORNEY'S FEES; AND
7	(III) THE AMOUNT OF AN AWARD OF ATTORNEY'S FEES INCLUDED
8	IN THE JUDGMENT OR PART OF THE JUDGMENT BEING REGISTERED;
9	(g) THE AMOUNT OF POST-JUDGMENT COSTS, EXPENSES, AND
10	ATTORNEY'S FEES AS OF THE DATE OF REGISTRATION CLAIMED BY THE
11	PERSON REGISTERING THE JUDGMENT OR PART OF THE JUDGMENT;
12	(h) THE AMOUNT OF THE JUDGMENT OR PART OF THE JUDGMENT
13	BEING REGISTERED THAT HAS BEEN SATISFIED AS OF THE DATE OF
14	REGISTRATION;
15	(i) A STATEMENT THAT:
16	(I) THE JUDGMENT IS FINAL, CONCLUSIVE, AND ENFORCEABLE
17	UNDER THE LAW OF THE CANADIAN JURISDICTION IN WHICH IT WAS
18	RENDERED;
19	$(II)\ The \ {\it judgment}\ or\ part\ of\ the\ {\it judgment}\ being\ registered$
20	IS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THIS ARTICLE 62.3; AND
21	(III) IF A PART OF THE JUDGMENT IS BEING REGISTERED, THE
22	AMOUNTS STATED IN THE REGISTRATION AS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTIONS
23	(2)(f), $(2)(g)$, and $(2)(h)$ of this section relate to the part;
24	(j) If the judgment is not in English, a certified
25	TRANSLATION OF THE JUDGMENT INTO ENGLISH; AND
26	(k) The docket fee stated in section 13-53-106.
27	(3) On receipt of a registration that includes the

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DOCUMENTS, INFORMATION, AND DOCKET FEE REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION
(2) of this section, the clerk shall file the registration, assign a
DOCKET NUMBER, AND ENTER THE CANADIAN JUDGMENT IN THE COURT'S
DOCKET.
(4) A REGISTRATION SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FOLLOWING FORM,
WHICH INCLUDES THE ATTACHMENTS SPECIFIED IN THE FORM, COMPLIES
WITH THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION FOR
REGISTRATION:
REGISTRATION OF CANADIAN MONEY JUDGMENT
THIS COMPLETED FORM, TOGETHER WITH THE DOCUMENTS REQUIRED
BY SUBPART V, SHOULD BE FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE DISTRICT
COURT. WHEN STATING A SUM OF MONEY, IDENTIFY THE CURRENCY IN
WHICH THE SUM IS STATED.
I. IDENTIFICATION OF CANADIAN JUDGMENT
CANADIAN COURT RENDERING THE JUDGMENT:
CASE/DOCKET NUMBER IN CANADIAN COURT:
NAME OF PLAINTIFF:
Name of Defendant:
THE CANADIAN COURT ENTERED THE JUDGMENT ON [DATE] IN
[CITY] IN[PROVINCE OR TERRITORY].
THE JUDGMENT INCLUDES AN AWARD FOR THE PAYMENT OF MONEY IN
FAVOR OF IN THE AMOUNT OF
FAVOR OF IN THE AMOUNT OF IF ONLY PART OF THE CANADIAN JUDGMENT IS SUBJECT TO REGISTRATION

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	PERSON AGAINST WHOM JUDGMENT IS BEING REGISTERED
	NAME OF PERSON REGISTERING JUDGMENT:
	IF THE PERSON REGISTERING THE JUDGMENT IS NOT THE PERSON IN WHOSE
	FAVOR THE JUDGMENT WAS RENDERED, DESCRIBE THE INTEREST IN THE
•	JUDGMENT OF THE PERSON REGISTERING THE JUDGMENT THAT ENTITLES
	THE PERSON TO SEEK ITS RECOGNITION AND ENFORCEMENT.
	Address:
	ADDITIONAL CONTACT INFORMATION FOR PERSON REGISTERING
	JUDGMENT (OPTIONAL):
	TELEPHONE NUMBER:FAX NUMBER:
	E-MAIL ADDRESS:
	NAME OF ATTORNEY FOR PERSON REGISTERING JUDGMENT, IF ANY:
	Address:
	TELEPHONE NUMBER: FAX NUMBER:
	E-MAIL ADDRESS:
	NAME OF PERSON AGAINST WHOM JUDGMENT IS BEING REGISTERED:
	Address: (provide the
	MOST RECENT ADDRESS KNOWN)
	ADDITIONAL CONTACT INFORMATION FOR PERSON AGAINST WHOM
	JUDGMENT IS BEING REGISTERED (OPTIONAL) (PROVIDE MOST RECENT
	INFORMATION KNOWN):
	TELEPHONE NUMBER:FAX NUMBER:
	E-MAIL ADDRESS:
	III. CALCULATION OF AMOUNT FOR WHICH ENFORCEMENT IS
	SOUGHT

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1	THE AMOUNT OF THE CANADIAN JUDGMENT OR PART OF THE JUDGMENT
2	BEING REGISTERED IS
3	THE AMOUNT OF INTEREST ACCRUED AS OF THE DATE OF REGISTRATION ON
4	THE PART OF THE JUDGMENT BEING REGISTERED IS
5	THE APPLICABLE RATE OF INTEREST IS THE DATE WHEN
6	INTEREST BEGAN IS THE PART OF THE JUDGMENT TO
7	WHICH THE INTEREST APPLIES IS
8	THE CANADIAN COURT AWARDED COSTS AND EXPENSES RELATING TO THE
9	PART OF THE JUDGMENT BEING REGISTERED IN THE AMOUNT OF
10	(EXCLUDE ANY AMOUNT INCLUDED IN THE AWARD OF
11	COSTS AND EXPENSES THAT REPRESENTS AN AWARD OF ATTORNEY'S FEES).
12	THE CANADIAN COURT AWARDED ATTORNEY'S FEES RELATING TO THE
13	PART OF THE JUDGMENT BEING REGISTERED IN THE AMOUNT OF
14	THE PERSON REGISTERING THE CANADIAN JUDGMENT CLAIMS
15	POST-JUDGMENT COSTS AND EXPENSES OF AND
16	POST-JUDGMENT ATTORNEY'S FEES OFRELATING TO THE
17	PART OF THE JUDGMENT BEING REGISTERED (INCLUDE ONLY COSTS,
18	EXPENSES, AND ATTORNEY'S FEES INCURRED BEFORE REGISTRATION).
19	THE AMOUNT OF THE PART OF THE JUDGMENT BEING REGISTERED THAT
20	HAS BEEN SATISFIED AS OF THE DATE OF REGISTRATION IS
21	THE TOTAL AMOUNT FOR WHICH ENFORCEMENT OF THE PART OF THE
22	JUDGMENT BEING REGISTERED IS SOUGHT IS
23	IV. STATEMENT OF PERSON REGISTERING JUDGMENT
24	I,[Person Registering Judgment or Attorney
25	FOR PERSON REGISTERING JUDGMENT], STATE:
26	1. The Canadian judgment is final, conclusive, and
27	ENFORCEABLE UNDER THE LAW OF THE CANADIAN JURISDICTION IN WHICH

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1	II WAS RENDERED.
2	2. The Canadian judgment or part of the Canadian
3	JUDGMENT BEING REGISTERED IS WITHIN THE SCOPE OF ARTICLE 62.3 OF
4	TITLE 13, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES.
5	3. If only a part of the Canadian judgment is being
6	REGISTERED, THE AMOUNTS STATED IN SUBPART III OF THE REGISTRATION
7	RELATE TO THAT PART.
8	V. ITEMS REQUIRED TO BE INCLUDED WITH REGISTRATION
9	ATTACHED ARE (CHECK TO SIGNIFY REQUIRED ITEMS ARE INCLUDED):
10	A COPY OF THE CANADIAN JUDGMENT AUTHENTICATED AS
11	ACCURATE BY THE CANADIAN COURT THAT ENTERED THE JUDGMENT IN
12	ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 13-53-103, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES.
13	IF THE CANADIAN JUDGMENT IS NOT IN ENGLISH, A CERTIFIED
14	TRANSLATION OF THE JUDGMENT INTO ENGLISH.
15	A DOCKET FEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$201.00.
16	I DECLARE THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ON THIS FORM IS
17	TRUE AND CORRECT, EXCEPT AS TO MATTERS STATED TO BE ON
18	INFORMATION AND BELIEF AND, AS TO THOSE MATTERS, I BELIEVE THEM
19	TO BE TRUE.
20	SUBMITTED BY:
21	Person Registering Judgment or
22	ATTORNEY FOR PERSON REGISTERING
23	JUDGMENT (SPECIFY WHETHER SIGNER IS THE
24	PERSON REGISTERING THE JUDGMENT OR
25	THAT PERSON'S ATTORNEY)
26	DATE OF SUBMISSION:
27	13-62.3-105. Effect of registration. (1) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION

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1	(2) OF THIS SECTION, A CANADIAN JUDGMENT REGISTERED UNDER SECTION
2	13-62.3-104 has the same effect provided in Section 13-62-107 for
3	A JUDGMENT DETERMINED BY A COURT TO BE ENTITLED TO RECOGNITION.
4	(2) A CANADIAN JUDGMENT REGISTERED UNDER SECTION
5	13-62.3-104 MAY NOT BE ENFORCED BY SALE OR OTHER DISPOSITION OF
6	PROPERTY, OR BY SEIZURE OF PROPERTY OR GARNISHMENT, UNTIL
7	THIRTY-FIVE CALENDAR DAYS AFTER SERVICE OF NOTICE OF REGISTRATION
8	UNDER SECTION 13-62.3-106. THE COURT FOR CAUSE MAY PROVIDE FOR
9	A SHORTER OR LONGER TIME. THIS SUBSECTION (2) DOES NOT PRECLUDE
10	USE OF RELIEF AVAILABLE UNDER LAW OF THIS STATE OTHER THAN THIS
11	ARTICLE 62.3 TO PREVENT DISSIPATION, DISPOSITION, OR REMOVAL OF
12	PROPERTY.
13	13-62.3-106. Notice of registration. (1) A PERSON THAT
14	REGISTERS A CANADIAN JUDGMENT UNDER SECTION 13-62.3-104 SHALL
15	CAUSE NOTICE OF REGISTRATION TO BE SERVED ON THE PERSON AGAINST
16	WHOM THE JUDGMENT HAS BEEN REGISTERED.
17	(2) NOTICE UNDER THIS SECTION MUST BE SERVED IN THE SAME
18	MANNER THAT A SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT MUST BE SERVED IN AN
19	ACTION UNDER SECTION 13-62-106 SEEKING RECOGNITION OF A
20	FOREIGN-COUNTRY JUDGMENT.
21	(3) NOTICE UNDER THIS SECTION MUST INCLUDE:
22	(a) THE DATE OF REGISTRATION AND COURT IN WHICH THE
23	JUDGMENT WAS REGISTERED;
24	(b) The docket number assigned to the registration;
25	(c) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF:
26	(I) THE PERSON REGISTERING THE JUDGMENT; AND
27	(II) THE PERSON'S ATTORNEY, IF ANY;

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1	(d) A COPY OF THE REGISTRATION, INCLUDING THE DOCUMENTS
2	REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 13-62.3-104 (2); AND
3	(e) A STATEMENT THAT:
4	(I) THE PERSON AGAINST WHOM THE JUDGMENT HAS BEEN
5	REGISTERED HAS THIRTY-FIVE DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF
6	NOTICE IN WHICH TO PETITION THE COURT TO VACATE THE REGISTRATION;
7	AND
8	(II) THE COURT FOR CAUSE MAY PROVIDE FOR A SHORTER OR
9	LONGER TIME.
10	(4) PROOF OF SERVICE OF NOTICE UNDER THIS SECTION MUST BE
11	FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE COURT.
12	13-62.3-107. Petition to vacate registration. (1) NOT LATER
13	THAN THIRTY-FIVE DAYS AFTER NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13-62.3-106 IS
14	SERVED, THE PERSON AGAINST WHOM THE JUDGMENT WAS REGISTERED
15	MAY PETITION THE COURT TO VACATE THE REGISTRATION. THE COURT FOR
16	CAUSE MAY PROVIDE FOR A SHORTER OR LONGER TIME.
17	(2) A PETITION UNDER THIS SECTION MAY ASSERT ONLY:
18	(a) A GROUND THAT COULD BE ASSERTED TO DENY RECOGNITION
19	OF THE JUDGMENT UNDER THE "UNIFORM FOREIGN-COUNTRY MONEY
20	JUDGMENTS RECOGNITION ACT", ARTICLE 62 OF THIS TITLE 13; OR
21	(b) A FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS
22	ARTICLE 62.3 FOR REGISTRATION OF THE JUDGMENT.
23	(3) A PETITION UNDER THIS SECTION DOES NOT ITSELF STAY
24	ENFORCEMENT OF THE REGISTERED JUDGMENT.
25	(4) IF THE COURT GRANTS A PETITION UNDER THIS SECTION, THE
26	REGISTRATION IS VACATED AND ANY ACT UNDER THE REGISTRATION TO
2.7	ENFORCE THE REGISTERED HIDGMENT IS VOID

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1	(5) IF THE COURT GRANTS A PETITION UNDER THIS SECTION ON A
2	GROUND UNDER SUBSECTION (2)(a) OF THIS SECTION, THE COURT ALSO
3	SHALL RENDER AN ORDER DENYING RECOGNITION OF THE CANADIAN
4	JUDGMENT. AN ORDER RENDERED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION (5) HAS THE
5	SAME EFFECT AS A ORDER DENYING RECOGNITION TO A JUDGMENT ON THE
6	SAME GROUND UNDER THE "UNIFORM FOREIGN-COUNTRY MONEY
7	JUDGMENTS RECOGNITION ACT", ARTICLE 62 OF THIS TITLE 13.
8	13-62.3-108. Stay of enforcement proceedings. A PERSON THAT
9	FILES A PETITION UNDER SECTION 13-62.3-107 (1) TO VACATE
10	REGISTRATION OF A CANADIAN JUDGMENT MAY REQUEST THE COURT TO
11	STAY ENFORCEMENT OF THE JUDGMENT PENDING DETERMINATION OF THE
12	PETITION. THE COURT SHALL GRANT THE STAY IF THE COURT DETERMINES
13	THAT THE PERSON HAS ESTABLISHED A LIKELIHOOD OF SUCCESS ON THE
14	MERITS WITH REGARD TO A GROUND UNDER SECTION 13-62.3-107 (2) FOR
15	VACATING A REGISTRATION. THE COURT MAY REQUIRE THE PERSON TO
16	PROVIDE SECURITY IN AN AMOUNT DETERMINED BY THE COURT.
17	13-62.3-109. Relationship to "Uniform Foreign-country
18	Money Judgments Recognition Act". (1) This article 62.3
19	SUPPLEMENTS THE "UNIFORM FOREIGN-COUNTRY MONEY JUDGMENTS
20	RECOGNITION ACT", ARTICLE 62 OF THIS TITLE 13, AND THAT ACT, OTHER
21	THAN SECTION 13-62-106, APPLIES TO A REGISTRATION UNDER THIS
22	ARTICLE 62.3.
23	(2) A PERSON MAY SEEK RECOGNITION OF A CANADIAN JUDGMENT
24	EITHER:
25	(a) By registration under this article 62.3; or
26	(b) As provided under section 13-62-106.
27	(3) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (4) OF THIS SECTION, A PERSON MAY

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2	OF A JUDGMENT DESCRIBED IN SECTION 13-62.3-103 (2) OR (3) WITH
3	REGARD TO THE SAME PERSON UNDER BOTH THIS ARTICLE 62.3 AND
4	SECTION 13-62-106.
5	(4) IF THE COURT GRANTS A PETITION TO VACATE A REGISTRATION
6	SOLELY ON A GROUND UNDER SECTION 13-62.3-107 (2)(b), THE PERSON
7	SEEKING REGISTRATION MAY:
8	(a) If the defect in the registration is one that can be
9	CURED, FILE A NEW REGISTRATION UNDER THIS ARTICLE 62.3; OR
10	(b) SEEK RECOGNITION OF THE JUDGMENT UNDER SECTION
11	13-62-106.
12	13-62.3-110. Uniformity of application and interpretation. IN
13	APPLYING AND CONSTRUING THIS UNIFORM ACT, CONSIDERATION MUST BE
14	GIVEN TO THE NEED TO PROMOTE UNIFORMITY OF THE LAW WITH RESPECT
15	TO ITS SUBJECT MATTER AMONG STATES THAT ENACT IT.
16	13-62.3-111. Transitional provision. This article 62.3 applies
17	TO THE REGISTRATION OF A CANADIAN JUDGMENT ENTERED IN A
18	PROCEEDING COMMENCED IN CANADA ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE
19	OF THIS ARTICLE 62.3.
20	13-62.3-112. Effective date. This article 62.3 takes effect
21	JULY 1, 2021.
22	SECTION 2. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act
23	takes effect July 1, 2021; except that, if a referendum petition is filed
24	pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this
25	act or an item, section, or part of this act within the ninety-day period
26	after final adjournment of the general assembly, then the act, item,

NOT SEEK RECOGNITION IN THIS STATE OF THE SAME JUDGMENT OR PART

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- section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the
- 2 general election to be held in November 2020 and, in such case, will take
- 3 effect on July 1, 2021.

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