CHAPTER 161

SENATE BILL 1363

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 12-3252, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO FOREIGN-COUNTRY JUDGMENTS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)
Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Section 12-3252, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

12-3252. Applicability of chapter
A. This chapter applies to a foreign-country judgment that grants or denies the recovery of a sum of money and, under the law of the foreign country where rendered, is final, conclusive and enforceable.
B. Notwithstanding subsection A of this section, this chapter does not apply to a FOREIGN-COUNTRY judgment that either:
1. Grants or denies the recovery of a sum of money if it is any of the following:
   (a) A judgment for taxes.
   (b) A fine or other penalty.
   (c) A judgment for divorce, support or maintenance or other judgment rendered in connection with domestic relations.
2. Originates from a foreign country that has not adopted or enacted a reciprocal law related to foreign-country money judgments that is similar to this chapter.
C. The party seeking recognition of a foreign-country judgment has the burden of establishing that this chapter applies to the foreign-country judgment.
D. THIS CHAPTER DOES NOT PREVENT THE RECOGNITION UNDER PRINCIPLES OF COMITY OR OTHERWISE OF A FOREIGN-COUNTRY JUDGMENT THAT IS NOT WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THIS CHAPTER.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 19, 2022.