

## S.F. No. 2352 – Uniform Registration of Canadian Money Judgments Act established

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### Overview

**S.F. 2352** establishes the Uniform Registration of Canadian Money Judgments Act (URCMJA). This bill provides a process to register a Canadian judgment with a Minnesota court and creates a statutory form to use to register the Canadian money judgment.

### Summary

**Section 1. [548.64] Short title.** Provides that the sections established in this bill may be cited as the “Uniform Registration of Canadian Money Judgments Act.”

**Section 2. [548.65] Definitions.** Defines “Canada” and “Canadian judgment.”

**Section 3. [548.66] Applicability.** Provides that the URCMJA is only applicable to the registration and enforcement of the part of judgment that relates to the grant of the recovery of a sum of money.

**Section 4. [548.67] Registration of Canadian judgment.** Provides a process to register a Canadian judgment with a court in Minnesota and requires the court documents to include information including: the amount owed in the judgment; the amount paid; and the amount owed due to fees and costs. Provides a court form to use to register a Canadian money judgement.

**Section 5. [548.68] Effect of registration.** Provides that a judgment registered under this section is recognized and enforceable in the same manner and to the same extent as a judgment rendered in this state.

**Section 6. [548.69] Notice of registration.** Provides notice of the registration of the judgment to the person whom the judgment is against and proof of that notice to the court.

**Section 7. [548.70] Petition to vacate registration.** Provides that a person may oppose the registration of a judgment against them, within 30 days of notice or later if the court allows it, and provides what the petition to oppose the registration of a judgement for money must include.

**Section 8. [548.71] Stay of enforcement of judgment pending determination of petition.** Permits the court to stay the enforcement of a Canadian judgment for money until the petition to vacate the registration has been determined if the petition to vacate shows merit.

**Section 9. [548.72] Relationship to Uniform Foreign-Country Money Judgments Recognition Act.** Permits a person to file a Canadian judgment for money under either the URCMJA or the existing law for registering a foreign judgment for money, but not both.

**Section 10. [548.73] Uniformity of application and interpretation.** Requires the court to consider the need for uniformity in application of the uniform law.

**Section 11. [548.74] Transitional provision.** Provides that this uniform law would apply to court orders entered in a proceeding that is commenced in Canada on or after this law is passed in Minnesota.

**Section 12. Effective date.** Provides that the URCMJA is effective on January 1, 2022.