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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1348

TO PROTECT RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES GRANTED UNDER THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION AND THE ARKANSAS CONSTITUTION.

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1348

Amend House Bill No. 1348 as originally introduced:

Page 2, line 26, delete "violates the public policy of this state and"

AND

Page 2, delete lines 30 through 32, and substitute:

- "the fundamental human rights that transcend jurisdiction, including without limitation:
- (1) The due process right to be treated fairly by any and all legal systems;
- (2) The right to be treated equally relative to other parties in the same case and to similarly situated parties in other cases;
- (3) The right to make one's own choices about one's own life within the recognized norms of a civilized society; and
- (4) The right not to be discriminated against on the basis of race, gender, religion, or other similar characteristics."

AND

Page 3, line 1, delete "violates the public policy of this state and"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 4 and 5, and substitute:

- "not grant the parties the fundamental human rights that transcend jurisdiction, including without limitation:
- (1) The due process right to be treated fairly by any and all legal systems;
- (2) The right to be treated equally relative to other parties in the same case and to similarly situated parties in other cases;
 - (3) The right to make one's own choices about one's own life

within the recognized norms of a civilized society; and

(4) The right not to be discriminated against on the basis of race, gender, religion, or other similar characteristics."

AND

Page 3, line 9, delete "violates the public"

AND

Page 3, line 10, delete "policy of this state and"

AND

Page 3, delete lines 12 through 14, and substitute:

"dispute at issue, that would not grant the parties the same fundamental human rights that transcend jurisdiction, including without limitation:

- (A) The due process right to be treated fairly by any and all legal systems;
- (B) The right to be treated equally relative to other parties in the same case and to similarly situated parties in other cases;
- (C) The right to make one's own choices about one's own life within the recognized norms of a civilized society; and
- (D) The right not to be discriminated against on the basis of race, gender, religion, or other similar characteristics."

AND

Page 3, delete lines 15 through 23, and substitute:

- "(2) It is public policy of this state that the claim shall be denied if a resident of this state seeks to maintain litigation, arbitration, agency, or similarly binding proceedings in this state and have the courts of this state find that, concerning a nonclaimant in the foreign forum with respect to the matter in dispute, granting a claim of forum non conveniens or a related claim violates or would likely violate the fundamental human rights that transcend jurisdiction, including without limitation:
- (A) The due process right to be treated fairly by any and all legal systems;
- (B) The right to be treated equally relative to other parties in the same case and to similarly situated parties in other cases;
- (C) The right to make one's own choices about one's own life within the recognized norms of a civilized society; and
- (D) The right not to be discriminated against on the basis of race, gender, religion, or other similar characteristics."

The Amendment was read

By: Representative Alexander

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