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BY: House Judiciary Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 193

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “Enforceability” and substitute “Recognition, Enforceability.”; strike beginning with “prohibiting” in line 6 down through “judgments;” in line 7; strike beginning with “authorizing” in line 9 down through “judgment;” in line 11; in lines 12 and 13, in each instance, after “foreign” insert “defamation”; in line 11, after “term;” insert “providing for the application of this Act;”; and in the same line, after “to” insert “recognition and”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 16, after “6-103.3” insert “and 10-704(c)”; and strike in their entirety lines 19 through 23, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, in line 11, strike “SHOULD” and substitute “MAY”.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 18 on page 2 through line 8 on page 3, inclusive, and substitute:

“(C) (1) IN THIS SUBSECTION, “DEFAMATION” INCLUDES INVASION OF PRIVACY BY FALSE FACTS.

“(2) A FOREIGN JUDGMENT MAY NOT BE RECOGNIZED IF:”.

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 3, in lines 9 and 16, strike “**(6)**” and “**(7)**”, respectively, and substitute “**(I)**” and “**(II)**”, respectively; and strike in their entirety lines 21 through 25, inclusive.

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AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 3, after line 25, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed to apply only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect on or application to any case filed in a court of this State before the effective date of this Act.”;

and in line 26, strike “2.” and substitute “3.”.