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CIVIL/LAW: Provides relative to the domicile of certain juridical persons

2 To amend and reenact Civil Code Article 3548, relative to persons; to provide for the 3 domicile of certain juridical persons; and to provide for related matters. 4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 5 Section 1. Civil Code Article 3548 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as 6 follows: 7 Art. 3548. Domicile of juridical persons 8 For the purposes of this Title, and provided it is appropriate under the 9 principles of Article 3542, Notwithstanding Articles 3518 and 3542, a juridical 10 person that is domiciled outside this state, but which transacts business in this state 11 and incurs a delictual or quasi-delictual obligation arising from activity within this 12 state, shall be treated as a domiciliary of this state.

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Abstract: Provides relative to the domicile of certain juridical persons.

<u>Present law</u> (C.C. Art. 3542) provides that as a general rule, issues of torts are governed by the law of the state whose policies would be most seriously impaired if its laws were not applied to that issue.

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<u>Present law</u> (C.C. Art. 3518) provides that a juridical person may be treated as a domiciliary of either its state of formation or the state which is its principal place of business.

<u>Present law</u> provides that a juridical person domiciled outside of Louisiana who transacts business in Louisiana, and incurs a delictual or quasi-delictual obligation (tort) arising from activity in Louisiana, shall be treated as a domiciliary of Louisiana provided that the principles of <u>present law</u> (C.C. Art. 3542) are considered.

<u>Proposed law</u> removes the requirement that <u>present law</u> must be considered and further provides that despite <u>present law</u>, a juridical person domiciled outside of Louisiana which transacts business in Louisiana and incurs a delictual or quasi-delictual obligation arising from activity within Louisiana, shall be treated as domiciled in Louisiana.

(Amends C.C. Art. 3548)