

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                                   STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                                   1st Session of the 53rd Legislature (2011)

4 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
5 FOR  
6 HOUSE BILL NO. 1552

By: Kern, Reynolds and Ritze of  
the House

and

Sykes of the Senate

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11                   An Act relating to foreign law; stating legislative  
12 findings pertaining to certain rights and privileges;  
13 defining term; declaring certain rulings and  
14 decisions to be in violation of public policy; making  
15 certain rulings and decisions void and unenforceable;  
16 providing for codification; and providing an  
17 effective date.

18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

19           SECTION 1.       NEW LAW       A new section of law to be codified  
20 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 20 of Title 12, unless there is  
21 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

22           A. The Legislature fully recognizes the right to contract  
23 freely under the laws of this state, and also recognizes that this

1 right may be reasonably and rationally circumscribed pursuant to the  
2 state's interest to protect and promote rights and privileges  
3 granted under the United States or Oklahoma Constitution.

4 B. As used in this section, "foreign law, legal code, or  
5 system" means any law, rule, legal code, or system of a jurisdiction  
6 outside of any state or territory of the United States, including,  
7 but not limited to, international organizations and tribunals, and  
8 applied by that jurisdiction's courts, administrative bodies, or  
9 other formal or informal tribunals.

10 C. Any court, arbitration, tribunal, or administrative agency  
11 ruling or decision shall violate the public policy of this state and  
12 be void and unenforceable if the court, arbitration, tribunal, or  
13 administrative agency bases its rulings or decisions in the matter  
14 at issue in whole or in part on any law, rule, legal code or system  
15 that would not grant the parties affected by the ruling or decision  
16 the same fundamental liberties, rights, and privileges granted under  
17 the United States and Oklahoma Constitutions.

18 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2011.

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20 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, dated 03-01-2011 - DO  
21 PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.

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