2018 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 359

BY REPRESENTATIVE FOIL

SEIZURES/SALES: Provides relative to the exemption from seizure of certain retirement accounts

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 13:3881(D)(3), relative to tax-deferred arrangements; to provide
3	for exemption from seizure for retirement accounts; to provide for definitions; and
4	to provide for related matters.
5	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
6	Section 1. R.S. 13:3881(D)(3) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
7	§3881. General exemptions from seizure
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9	D.
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11	(3) The term "tax-deferred arrangement" includes all individual retirement
12	accounts or individual retirement annuities of any variety or name, whether
13	authorized now or in the future in the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the
14	corresponding provisions of any future United States income tax law, including
15	balances rolled over from any other tax-deferred arrangement as defined herein,
16	money purchase pension plans, defined benefit plans, defined contribution plans,
17	Keogh plans, simplified employee pension (SEP) plans, simple retirement account
18	(SIMPLE) plans, Roth IRAs, or any other plan of any variety or name, whether
19	authorized now or in the future in the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the
20	corresponding provisions of any future United States income tax law, under which

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CODING: Words in struck through type are deletions from existing law; words <u>underscored</u> are additions.

1	United States income tax on the tax-deferred arrangement is deferred. any
2	arrangement in which a person's right to the assets held in or to receive payments,
3	whether vested or not, under any stock bonus plan, money purchase pension plan,
4	defined benefit plan, simplified employee pension (SEP) plans, simple retirement
5	account (SIMPLE) plans, including a retirement plan for self-employed individuals,
6	or a simplified employee pension plan, an individual retirement account or individual
7	retirement annuity, including an inherited individual retirement account, an inherited
8	individual retirement account annuity, Roth individual retirement account, or
9	inherited Roth individual retirement account, a health savings account, and under any
10	annuity or similar contract purchased with assets distributed from that type of plan
11	or account, is exempt from attachment, execution, and seizure for the satisfaction of
12	debts to the extent the plan, contract, annuity, or account is exempt from federal
13	income tax, or to the extent federal income tax on the person's interest is deferred
14	until actual payment of benefits to the person under Section 223, 401(a), 403(a),
15	403(b), 408(a), 408A, 457(b), or 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as
16	amended, including a government plan or church plan described by Section 414(d)
17	or (e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. For purposes of this
18	Subsection, the interest of a person in a plan, annuity, account, or contract acquired
19	by reason of the death of another person, whether as owner, participant, beneficiary,
20	survivor, coannuitant, heir, or legatee, is exempt to the same extent that the interest
21	of the person from whom the plan, annuity, account, or contract was acquired was
22	exempt on the date of the person's death. If this Subsection is held invalid or
23	preempted by federal law in whole or in part in certain circumstances, the Subsection
24	remains in effect in all other respects to the maximum extent permitted by law. The
25	term "annuity contract" shall have the same definition as defined in R.S. 22:912(B).

DIGEST

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Abstract: Updates the definition of tax-deferred arrangement and clarifies certain exemptions from seizure for retirement accounts.

<u>Present law</u> defines the term "tax-deferred arrangement" to include certain accounts, plans, and annuities.

<u>Proposed law</u> expands the definition to include additional accounts, plans, and annuities, and removes certain specifically named plans, such as Keogh plans.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that when an individual acquires an interest in certain plans, annuities, accounts, or contracts, by reason of death of another person, that plan remains exempt from attachment, execution, or seizure to satisfy a debt to the same extent that the deceased individual would have been able to claim the exemption.

(Amends R.S. 13:3881 (D)(3))