

355.9-301 Law governing perfection and priority of security interests.

Except as otherwise provided in KRS 355.9-303 to 355.9-3062, the following rules determine the law governing perfection, the effect of perfection or nonperfection, and the priority of a security interest in collateral:

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, while a debtor is located in a jurisdiction, the local law of that jurisdiction governs perfection, the effect of perfection or nonperfection, and the priority of a security interest in collateral;
- (2) While collateral is located in a jurisdiction, the local law of that jurisdiction governs perfection, the effect of perfection or nonperfection, and the priority of a possessory security interest in that collateral;
- (3) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (4) of this section, while negotiable tangible documents, goods, instruments, or tangible money is located in a jurisdiction, the local law of that jurisdiction governs:
 - (a) Perfection of a security interest in the goods by filing a fixture filing;
 - (b) Perfection of a security interest in timber to be cut; and
 - (c) The effect of perfection or nonperfection and the priority of a nonpossessory security interest in the collateral; and
- (4) The local law of the jurisdiction in which the wellhead or minehead is located governs perfection, the effect of perfection or nonperfection, and the priority of a security interest in as-extracted collateral.

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History: Amended 2024 Ky. Acts ch. 10, sec. 56, effective January 1, 2025. -- Amended 2012 Ky. Acts ch. 132, sec. 65, effective July 1, 2013. -- Repealed and reenacted 2000 Ky. Acts ch. 408, sec. 41, effective July 1, 2001. -- Amended 1996 Ky. Acts ch. 130, sec. 171, effective January 1, 1997. -- Amended 1986 Ky. Acts ch. 118, sec. 63, effective July 1, 1987. -- Amended 1982 Ky. Acts ch. 199, sec. 1, effective July 15, 1982. -- Amended 1962 Ky. Acts ch. 83, sec. 6. -- Created 1958 Ky. Acts ch. 77, sec. 9-301.

Legislative Research Commission Note (3/14/2013). 2013 Ky. Acts ch. 10, secs. 2 and 3 provide that the statutes in Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code that were amended or created in 2012 Ky. Acts ch. 132, secs. 60 to 99, are effective July 1, 2013. This statute was one of those sections. Since only the effective date of a prior Act was altered, and not the text of the affected statutes, reference to 2013 Ky. Acts ch. 10 does not appear in the history for this statute.

Legislative Research Commission Note (7/12/2012). In 2010, the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws and the American Law Institute proposed a Uniform Act for adoption by the states that contained revisions to Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code. The effective date for all proposed Article 9 revisions was to be July 1, 2013. Those revisions were enacted in 2012 Ky. Acts Chapter 132, Sections 60 to 99. Sections 60 to 90 contained the substantive Article 9 revisions, and Sections 91 to 99 contained the transitional Article 9 revisions created to handle secured transactions made prior to July 1, 2013. Section 91 of that Act (codified as KRS 355.9-801) and Section 102 of that Act (a noncodified effective date provision) both stated, "Sections 91 to 99 of this Act take effect July 1, 2013." The normal effective date for legislation enacted at the 2012 Regular Session of the General Assembly is July 12, 2012. In Opinion of the Attorney General 12-010, issued July 3, 2012, Section 91 (codified as KRS 355.9-801) was determined to have contained a

manifest clerical error, and should have instead read, "Sections 60 to 90 of this Act take effect July 1, 2013," thereby making the substantive Article 9 revisions effective on the same date as the transitional Article 9 provisions in conformity with the 2010 Uniform Act proposal and 2012 Ky. Acts Chapter 132, Section 102. This statute was one of the substantive provisions of Article 9 contained in 2012 Ky. Acts Chapter 132, Sections 60 to 90.