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## **SENATE BILL 1328**

## AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 33-421, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO CONVEYANCES AND DEEDS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona: 2 Section 1. Section 33-421, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to 3 read: 4 33-421. <u>Recording of liens</u> 5 A. A nonconsensual lien, other than a lien recorded by a governmental entity or political subdivision or agency, a validly licensed utility or 6 7 water delivery company, a mechanics' lien claimant or an entity created under 8 covenants, conditions, restrictions or declarations affecting real property, 9 is not valid SHALL NOT BE RECORDED unless the lien is accompanied by an order 10 or judgment from a court of competent jurisdiction authorizing the filing of 11 the lien and does not have the force or effect of law. 12 B. If a nonconsensual lien is accepted for recording as described in 13 subsection A, the recording officer shall accept for recording a notice of invalid lien that is signed and submitted by the attorney general or county 14 15 attorney. The attorney general or county attorney shall mail a copy of the 16 notice of invalid lien to the person who is designated as creditor and to the 17 person who recorded the nonconsensual lien at the address of each as stated 18 on the recorded document. The purported lien is conclusively presumed to be 19 invalid when the invalid lien is recorded. 20 C. THE COUNTY RECORDER SHALL NOT RECORD ANY LIEN EXCEPT AS PRESCRIBED 21 IN SUBSECTION A UNLESS THE LIEN IS CONSENSUAL AND ACCOMPANIED BY THE

NOTARIZED SIGNATURE OF THE DEBTOR ON A DOCUMENT ACKNOWLEDGING THE FILING AND 22 23 RECORDING OF THE LIEN. 24  $C_{\cdot}$  D. A recording officer or a county is not liable for accepting for recording a nonconsensual lien pursuant to subsection A or a notice of

25 26 invalid lien pursuant to subsection B THIS SECTION.

27 **D.** E. A nonconsensual lien that is recorded with the county recorder 28 and that is not recorded by an authorized entity pursuant to subsection A or 29 that is not ordered by the superior court does not affect the marketability 30 of title to the real property described in the nonconsensual lien and shall 31 not constitute actual or constructive notice of any of the matters contained 32 in the lien.