

Significant Reform of Japanese Private International Law

The most significant reform of Japanese private international law for more than a century has been completed with the enactment of a new Act. The new Act, **Ho no Tekiyo ni Kansuru Tsusoku Ho**, will come into effect on 1st January 2007. The reform is far-reaching and covers, *inter alia*, contract, tort, unjust enrichment, and assignment of rights.

For further details, see Koji Takahashi, "A Major Reform of Japanese Private International Law" (2006) 2 *Journal of Private International Law* 311, due out this month.