

House Concurrent Resolution No. 12

93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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1 **Whereas**, a fair and efficient legal system free from frivolous and abusive litigation
2 is necessary for a vibrant economy and access to affordable health care; and
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4 **Whereas**, reasonable caps on damages protect consumers from the rising costs of -
5 and diminishing access to - products and services that results from lawsuit abuse; and
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7 **Whereas**, victims who suffer losses - not their attorneys - should receive the
8 majority of damage awards; and
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10 **Whereas**, lawsuits filed in a timely fashion promote fairness for all parties; and
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12 **Whereas**, in accordance with the intent of the Framers of the United States
13 Constitution, cases involving residents of different states should be tried in federal court; and
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15 **Whereas**, individuals suffer the most damaging effects of frivolous lawsuits as the
16 cost of products and services rises due to the exorbitant increases in insurance costs:
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18 **Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the members of the House of
19 Representatives of the Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate
20 concurring therein, hereby request our elected Representatives and Senators in the United States
21 Congress to support meaningful class action reform and medical malpractice liability reform; and
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23 **Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of
24 Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for each
25 member of the Missouri Congressional Delegation.