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To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 128

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CONGRESSIONAL
2 DELEGATION OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO SUPPORT MEANINGFUL LEGAL
3 REFORM LEGISLATION IN THE 108TH CONGRESS.

4 WHEREAS, a fair and efficient legal system free from
5 frivolous and abusive litigation is necessary for a vibrant
6 economy and access to affordable health care; and

7 WHEREAS, reasonable caps on damages protect consumers from
8 the rising costs of, and diminishing access to, products and
9 services that have resulted from lawsuit abuse; and

10 WHEREAS, victims who suffered losses, not attorneys, should
11 receive the majority of damage awards; and

12 WHEREAS, lawsuits filed in a timely fashion promote fairness
13 for all parties; and

14 WHEREAS, in accordance with the intent of the framers of the
15 Constitution, cases involving residents of different states should
16 be tried in federal court; and

17 WHEREAS, individuals suffer the most as a result of frivolous
18 lawsuits as the cost of products and services rise due to
19 exorbitant rises in insurance costs and the availability of each
20 diminishes; and

21 WHEREAS, this Legislature supports any legal reform
22 legislation that will create a more just society for American
23 citizens:

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
25 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING
26 THEREIN, That we request our congressional delegation to support



27 meaningful class action reform, medical malpractice liability
28 reform and other legal reform legislation in the 108th Congress.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
30 furnished to the Mississippi Congressional Delegation and to
31 members of the Capitol Press Corps.

