HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 128

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

WHEREAS, a fair and efficient legal system free from frivolous and abusive litigation is necessary for a vibrant economy and access to affordable health care; and
WHEREAS, reasonable caps on damages protect consumers from the rising costs of, and diminishing access to, products and services that have resulted from lawsuit abuse; and
WHEREAS, victims who suffered losses, not attorneys, should receive the majority of damage awards; and
WHEREAS, lawsuits filed in a timely fashion promote fairness for all parties; and
WHEREAS, in accordance with the intent of the framers of the Constitution, cases involving residents of different states should be tried in federal court; and
WHEREAS, individuals suffer the most as a result of frivolous lawsuits as the cost of products and services rise due to exorbitant rises in insurance costs and the availability of each diminishes; and
WHEREAS, this Legislature supports any legal reform legislation that will create a more just society for American citizens:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN, That we request our congressional delegation to support
meaningful class action reform, medical malpractice liability reform and other legal reform legislation in the 108th Congress. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be furnished to the Mississippi Congressional Delegation and to members of the Capitol Press Corps.