SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 56

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI SUPPORT THE PRESIDENT'S CALL FOR LEGAL REFORM.

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 cost 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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, That we hereby request our elected Representatives and Senators in the United States Congress to support meaningful class action reform and medical malpractice liability reform, as well as any other legal reform legislation in the 108th Congress.
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be furnished to the members of the Mississippi congressional delegation.