

# STOP THE LIABILITY CRISIS!!!

CALL THE CAPITOL HILL TODAY.

- ***Explain the impact of rising premiums on your practice.*** Many surgeons are restricting the scope of their practice, moving across state lines, or leaving medicine altogether as a result of increasing premiums. Let your Senators know how the growing costs are shaping your decisions as a surgeon.
- ***Ask your Senator to sponsor real liability reform.*** Meaningful liability reform must include a reasonable cap on non-economic damages, shortened statute of limitations, attorney contingency fees limits, proportional damages among defendants, collateral source offsets and periodic payments of future damages. Bills that merely regulate the insurance industry will not do the trick.
- ***Tell them why this can't wait!*** The US House of Representatives acted swiftly to move strong legislation last month, passing the HEALTH Act, HR 5, by a wide margin. Now it is up to the US Senate to pass a bill for President Bush to sign into law. Without their leadership, the medical liability crisis will continue to spiral out of control.

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