

Liability Reform Coalition Bill Tracker

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Bill number & sponsor	Issue	LRC position	Status
HB 1928 Rep. Lias (D)	Increases employer liability relating to workplace bullying.	Oppose	House Labor and Workforce Development Committee Heard in committee 1/25/12
HB 2246 Rep. Eddy (D)	Creates a Medicaid false claims act.	Oppose	House Judiciary Committee Executive session scheduled for 1/30/12 Heard in committee 1/25/12
HB 2244 Rep. Hargrove (R) Companion bill: SB 6090	Provides immunity from liability to certain landowners for unintentional injuries to members of the public using the land for aviation activities.	Support	House Judiciary Committee Scheduled for executive session 1/30/12 Heard in committee 1/23/12
HB 2261 Rep. Takko (D)	Provides limited immunity for organizations making charitable donations of eye glasses or hearing instruments.	Monitor	House Judiciary Committee Scheduled for executive session 1/30/12 Heard in committee 1/23/12
HB 2307 Rep. Rodne (R)	Removes the exemption of health care injuries from provisions relating to claims against the state and governmental entities arising out of tortious conduct.	Monitor	House Judiciary Committee
HB 2371 Rep. Pearson (R)	Establishes the risk management review process to evaluate claims information of state agencies with relatively high claim payments in order to identify claim trends and patterns, and opportunities for corrective action.	Support	House State Government and Tribal Affairs Committee
HB 2449 Rep. Goodman (D)	Modifies provisions relating to statutes of limitations in arbitrations proceedings.	Monitor	House Judiciary Committee Scheduled for executive session 1/30/12 Scheduled to be heard

			1/26/12
HB 2510 Rep. Kagi	Limits government liability during pre-shelter investigations of child abuse or neglect.	Support	House Judiciary Committee Scheduled for executive session 1/30/12 Heard in committee 1/25/12
HB 2571 Rep. Parker (R)	Addresses waste, fraud and abuse prevention, detection and recovery to improve program integrity for medical services programs.	Monitor	House Health and Human Services Appropriations and Oversight Committee Scheduled to be heard 1/26/12
HB 2637 Rep. Condotta (R) Companion bill: SB 6298	Creates a new cause of action regarding labeling of genetically engineered food.		House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee Heard in committee 1/27/12
SB 5054 Sen. Kline (D)	Regulates legal proceedings involving public hazards. Lowers the threshold for the causation of bringing such cases and limits the effectiveness of confidentiality agreements.	Oppose	Senate Judiciary Committee Heard in committee 1/24/12
SB 5310 Sen. Kline (D)	Allows private parties to bring lawsuits against vendors or contractors suspected of making a "false claim" for payment from a government entity. A false claim for payment is one based on a materially incorrect fact, statement, representation or record.	Oppose	Senate Judiciary Committee Heard in committee during the Dec. 2011 special session
SB 5605 Sen. Hargrove (D)	Limiting liability for specified state workers for errors of judgment.	Support	Senate Human Services and Corrections Heard in committee 1/27/12
SB 5789 Sen. Harper (D)	Increases employer liability relating to workplace bullying.	Oppose	Senate Labor and Commerce and Consumer Protection Committee Heard in committee 1/17/12
SB 5978 Sen. Pflug (R)	Creates a Medicaid false claims act.	Oppose	Senate Ways and Means Committee Heard in Ways and Means 1/24/12 Passed out of the Senate Health and Long-Term Care Committee 1/9/12
SB 6072	Creates a new cause of action against	Oppose	Senate Judiciary

Sen. Kline (D)	employers.		Committee Heard in the committee during the Dec. 2011 special session
SB 6080 Sen. Haugen	Provides liability protection to landowners for unintentional injuries to members of the public while using the land for recreational purposes.	Support	Senate Energy, Natural Resources and Marine Waters Committee Heard in committee 1/16/12
SB 6090 Sen. Fain (R) Companion bill: HB 2244	Provides immunity from liability to certain landowners for unintentional injuries to members of the public using the land for aviation activities.	Support	Senate Energy, Natural Resources and Marine Waters Committee
SB 6187 Sen. Pflug (R) Companion bill: HB 2307	Removes the exemption of health care injuries from provisions relating to claims against the state and governmental entities arising out of tortious conduct.	Monitor	Senate Judiciary Committee Heard in committee 1/25/12
SB 6210 Sen. Hobbs (D)	Extends the time to enforce civil judgments.	Monitor	Senate Judiciary Committee Heard in committee 1/18/12
SB 6216 Rep. Padden (R)	Provides limited immunity for nonprofit and charitable organizations that provide used eyeglasses for charitable purposes	Monitor	Senate Rules Committee Passed out of committee 1/25/12 Heard in Committee 1/23/12
SB 6298 Sen. Chase (D) Companion bill: SB 2637	Creates a new cause of action regarding labeling of genetically engineered food.		Senate Agriculture and Water and Rural Development Committee Heard in committee 1/26/12
SB 6458 Sen. Schoesler (R)	Provides liability protection for governmental entities.	Support	Senate Judiciary Committee