



Wisconsin Defense Counsel Supports Proposed Civil Liability Reforms

Gov. Walker's Proposals Provide Fairness and Equity

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Madison – The Wisconsin Defense Counsel (WDC) (formerly the Civil Trial Council of Wisconsin) issues the following statement in response to Gov. Scott Walker's proposed civil liability reforms for the "Wisconsin is Open for Business Special Session":

"With these proposed liability reforms, Wisconsin will join the vast majority of other states with similar laws. Each proposal has been fully vetted and carefully drafted. WDC therefore encourages the Legislature to pass these common sense reforms to help signal to the rest of the country that Wisconsin is serious about attracting new businesses and adding jobs."

WDC helped with input on the drafting of the products liability legislation that was passed by the 2005 Legislature. The legislation was unfortunately vetoed by Gov. Jim Doyle. Gov. Walker's reform package includes the same products liability language previously introduced in the 2005 legislative session.

WDC is a statewide organization of about 450 attorneys dedicated to the defense of Wisconsin citizens and businesses, the maintenance of an equitable civil justice system, and the education of its members. To learn more about WDC, visit www.wdc-online.org.