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Subject: Comments to the Governor

Below is the result of your feedback form. It was submitted by  
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Issue: Malpractice issues and Tort Reform.

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Message: Dear Honorable Governor,

I have so far essentially sat on the sidelines during this debate. However, within just the past few days, I have seen a colleague very distraught over "his insurance company leaving the state" and having trouble getting insurance.

Also, I just received a letter from the Greenville, MS neurosurgery group that is very disturbing. They are apparently cutting back their call (emergency) coverage mostly because of the malpractice problems. They also site similar problems all over north Mississippi.

It should be obvious that this is a serious problem that needs to be addressed. Yet our legislature allows a few influential members to kill tort reform legislation every year.

Many of us in the state feel that it at least deserves a vote, maybe even a special session of congress.

Could you please consider a serious response to this issue that is affecting not only medicine but, also, industry and insurance companies. When it comes down to it, it affects every single citizen of this state through higher insurance premiums, fewer job opportunities, and potentially less availability of products.

Sincerely,

D. B. Russell, Sr., MD

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