

200 Business Groups Join Chamber in Calling for COVID-19 Liability Protection

The Chamber on Wednesday [joined more than 200 trade associations and other groups](#) calling for Congress to provide temporary and targeted liability relief legislation. This comes after the Chamber was also part of a [broad group of more than 50 state and local chambers](#) who sent a letter on this important issue last week.

There is [broad public support](#) across the political spectrum for liability protections.

American businesses are working hard to take measures to protect their employees and customers amid the COVID-19 crisis, however the risk of opportunistic lawsuits poses a significant barrier in their ability to bounce back from the economic crisis. As businesses start to reopen, employers want to know that if they take reasonable steps to follow public health guidelines, they will be protected against needless lawsuits.

“During times of past crises, Congress has passed liability protections on a bipartisan basis, and must do so again,” said Harold Kim, President, U.S. Chamber Institute for Legal Reform. “The U.S. Chamber and the Institute for Legal Reform are leading this coalition to urge lawmakers to protect businesses against the acute economic threat of lawsuits.”