

REGRESSIVE MEDICAL LIABILITY BILLS BEING PUSHED BY TRIAL LAWYERS



The trial bar is pushing four (4) bills, the passage of any one of which would make the practice environment even more difficult for physicians in the State. Passage of any one of these bills would also result in a substantial increase in physicians' and hospitals' medical liability insurance premiums.

You are urged to visit www.medmaltruth.org where you can very easily get involved by signing a petition. Urge your colleagues, friends and family to do the same.

The four bills would

- 1) Increase attorney fees in medical malpractice cases,
- 2) Deny med mal defendants the right to informally interview a plaintiff's later treating physicians,
- 3) Lengthen New York's statute of limitations for med mal cases, and
- 4) Require non-settling defendants to decide pre-trial whether they want to reduce any resulting liability by the amount of the settlement or by the equitable share of damages delegated to the settling defendant by the verdict.

Please try to have as many people as possible sign on in the final few days of the current legislative session