

LEGAL REFORM

Fixing Florida's Broken Legal System



Why It Matters to Florida

The sunny climate may be one of Florida's most enduring assets, but unfair laws and courts are storm clouds on Florida's horizon.

This is a reasonable conclusion from the findings of the U.S. Chamber Institute for Legal Reform's (ILR) newly released 2015 Lawsuit Climate Survey ranking the fifty states on their lawsuit systems. For the fourth consecutive time, the Sunshine State sits in the bottom ten, 44th out of 50. This is a three-spot drop from the last survey three years ago.

Florida's Competitiveness Agenda

While Florida has much to be proud of – the state's education system has gone from the bottom ten to the top ten, and the Governor has eliminated over 3,000 regulations and cut taxes more than 40 times – the jobs picture is mixed.

Even with one of the fastest job creating records in the country, Florida must still create more than two million jobs over the next 15 years, and a broken lawsuit system threatens this.

The Florida Chamber and our partners at the Florida Justice Reform Institute and the U.S. Chamber's Institute for Legal Reform will continue to push for common sense reforms that fix Florida's broken legal system.

The Fight for Free Enterprise Continues

Lawyer billboards throughout Florida attest that suing is big business here. But most Floridians aren't fooled by ads proclaiming to be "for people" when in truth they usually mean "for the plaintiffs' lawyers." Until Florida's courts are seen as fairer for all the people, the forecast for broader economic growth will be cloudy.

ACT NOW:

Join us in reforming Florida's unfair lawsuit climate by contacting us at cjohnson@flchamber.com.

Florida's legal climate is considered a "judicial hellhole," thanks to special interest groups and their tactics of 'more lawsuits.'

"Florida is in dire need of lawsuit abuse reform. The Florida Chamber is standing up against lawsuit abuses and working to improve on our state's legal climate."

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