

# In Support of Bill S. 533: The SC Justice Act

February \_\_\_\_, 2024

Dear [Legislator's name],

I am writing to express my strong support for Bill S. 533, the SC Justice Act. As a resident of [Your city/town], I believe this bill represents a critical step towards ensuring fair and just outcomes for all South Carolinians involved in the civil justice system.

**The current system often puts innocent victims at a disadvantage.** When multiple parties are involved in a case, a single defendant can be held liable for the entire amount of damages, even if their contribution to the harm was minimal. This can have devastating consequences for individuals and families who have already suffered tragedy, leaving them with insurmountable financial burdens.

**Bill S. 533 addresses this injustice by establishing a fairer system of proportional liability.** Under this system, the jury would determine the percentage of fault each party bears for the harm, and each defendant would be responsible only for their proportionate share of the damages. This would ensure that truly responsible parties are held accountable, while protecting innocent individuals from being saddled with an unfair financial burden.

**The SC Justice Act will also benefit businesses in our state.** By creating a more predictable legal environment, businesses will be less likely to face unpredictable and potentially crippling lawsuits. This will encourage investment and job creation, ultimately benefiting the entire South Carolina economy.

**Furthermore, this bill promotes a more efficient judicial system.** By reducing the number of frivolous lawsuits and encouraging settlements, the SC Justice Act will free up valuable court resources, allowing judges to focus on more serious cases and expedite justice for all parties involved.

**In conclusion, I urge you to support Bill S. 533, the SC Justice Act.** This bill represents a common-sense solution to a long-standing problem in our state's legal system. It will protect innocent victims, promote economic growth, and improve the efficiency of our courts. By passing this bill, you can ensure that the scales of justice are truly balanced in South Carolina.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

[Your name]

[Your address]

[Your phone number]

[Your email address]

Optional:

- You can personalize the letter further by briefly sharing a personal story or anecdote that highlights the importance of the SC Justice Act.
- You may also want to mention any specific concerns you have about the current system and how the bill would address them.