

Missouri Tort Reform 2020 Update

Missouri's 2020 legislative session came to a close on May 15. Despite a strong start, the session ended with few items ticked off the majority's tort reform to-do list. Efforts to shorten Missouri's five-year statute of limitations for most tort claims, to eliminate joint and several liability, to clean up Missouri's years-long effort to limit recoverable medical expenses, and to make needed changes to our state's infamous R.S.Mo. 537.065 (a/k/a the license to collude) all failed to advance. One bright spot, Senate Bill 591, which changes the standard and procedures for punitive damages and amends the Missouri Merchandising Practices Act, is on its way to the governor. We expect he will sign the measure, and it will become effective on August 28, 2020. For more information, click here: [Missouri Tort Reform 2020 Update](#)

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