

NEWSPAPERS ACROSS AMERICA CALL ON CONGRESS TO SOLVE THE ASBESTOS LITIGATION CRISIS

Washington Post

“Asbestos litigation is too important for members to fail to reach compromise on this question.”

Boston Globe

“Time ran out in Congress for a bill that would have injected common sense into the process of compensating victims of asbestos inhalation...The asbestos bill deserves a high priority when Congress reconvenes because a trust is the best way to ensure that long-suffering patients get timely compensation.”

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

“The time for Congress to act is now.”

Detroit Free Press

“Congress is tantalizingly close to resolving the longstanding crisis created by lawsuits over exposure to cancer-causing asbestos. It's time to hammer together the final details in a package that will serve truly ill workers and allow businesses...to get out from under a crippling avalanche of asbestos litigation.”

Wisconsin State Journal

“The country can't afford to squander a chance to resolve this...It's time to give priority to the national interest in resolving the crisis.”

Chicago Tribune

“...{the legislation} represents the clear outlines of a solution to this crisis. It would get compensation to genuine victims and get hundreds of thousands of cases out of the regular court system. It is ludicrous to keep litigating for the benefit of the litigators, when what is needed is a claims system for the benefit of the victims.”

Seattle Post-Intelligencer

“The only avenue for resolving current and future legal claims is Congress.”

Detroit News

“Congress needs to step in and set rules for the asbestos lawsuit crisis”

Omaha World Herald

“It's past time to fix this.”

Hartford Courant

“Congress must not let this opportunity pass. The alternative is more chaos, in which additional companies are driven into bankruptcy, thousands of workers lose their jobs and those who suffer from asbestos-related illnesses often wait many years for payments.”

Cleveland Plain Dealer

“It's the best chance for all parties.”

Spokane Spokesman-Review

“Congress appears to be on the right path...”