

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
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**HOUSE BILL 22**

Short Title: Tort Claims Limit Increased. (Public)

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Sponsors: Representatives Walend; Blust, Brown, Dollar, Faison, McGee, Pate, and Stam.

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Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

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January 29, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT TO INCREASE THE STATE TORT CLAIM LIMIT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 143-299.2 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 143-299.2. Limitation on payments by the State.**

(a) The maximum amount that the State may pay cumulatively to all claimants on account of injury and damage to any one person arising out of any one occurrence, whether the claim or claims are brought under this Article, or Article 31A or Article 31B of this Chapter, shall be ~~five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000),~~ one million dollars (\$1,000,000), less any commercial liability insurance purchased by the State and applicable to the claim or claims under G.S. 143-291(b), 143-300.6(c), or 143-300.16(c).

(b) The fact that a claim or claims may be brought under more than one Article under this Chapter shall not increase the above maximum liability of the State."

**SECTION 2.** This act applies with respect to torts committed on or after the date this act becomes law.