

89th Texas Legislature 2025

*New Causes of Action & Penalties
Filed Against Business
and Healthcare Providers*

*Liability Expansion &
Novel Legal Theories Proposed in
2025 Filed Legislation*



- Total New Causes & Penalties (356 – 763)
- New Causes of Action (General) (18 - 66)
- New Causes of Action Against Businesses and Employers (97 - 366)
- New Causes of Action Against Health Care Providers (31 - 160)
- New Causes of Action Against Governmental Entities and Employees (51 - 171)

- New Civil or Administrative Penalties Against Businesses and Employers (104 - 121)
- New Civil or Administrative Penalties Against Health Care Providers (30 - 48)
- New Civil or Administrative Penalties Against Governmental Entities & Employees (16 - 49)

- Attorney's Fees and Costs (76 - 185)
- New Statutory Punitive Damages (24 - 56)
- New Deceptive Trade Practices Act Violations (9 - 41)

- New Criminal Penalties Against Businesses and Employers (9 - 61)
- New Criminal Penalties Against Health Care Providers (7 - 17)
- New Criminal Penalties Against Governmental Entities and Employees (2 - 9)

2023 – 2025

Bill Stats – Introduced



- New Causes of Action Against Businesses and Employers (4 - 41)
- New Civil or Administrative Penalties Against Businesses and Employers (7 - 31)
- New Civil or Administrative Penalties Against Health Care Providers (2 - 5)
- New Causes of Action/Civil or Administrative Actions Against Governmental Entities (4 - 8)
- Attorney's Fees and Costs (11 - 15)
- New Criminal Penalties Against Businesses and Employers (1 - 8)

2023 - 2025 Bill Stats - Passed



- Holds manufacturer or distributor of a non-defective product jointly and severally liable for personal injury or wrongful death.
- Enforceable under a qui tam private action.
- Expands list of plaintiffs authorized to bring a civil action.
- Bars class actions.
- Strips a defendant of most defenses.
- Imposes market share liability on manufacturers.
- Extended statute of limitations beyond the customary two years.
- Extraterritorial jurisdiction.
- Expands criminal liability.
- Attorney general enforcement.
- Authorizes an action against a judge or attorney who rules on a constitutional challenge.

Liability Expansion & Novel Legal Theories

