

**Dear NACWO Member,**

**The following urgent matter requires your immediate attention!**

As you know from our earlier correspondence, in 2009 the US Supreme Court ruled that a parent is no longer allowed to waive a minor's right to sue in the state of Florida. (Link to details) If this law is not amended, it could have a negative impact on your business and could ultimately result in minors being excluded from participating in the activity that your company provides. NACWO has been working closely with Coalition leaders and law makers in Florida to introduce legislation which would more effectively protect our industry and its operators. All Florida operators are stake holders in this matter and should act immediately by voicing their concern.

Therefore we highly recommend that you immediately contact your state representative to deliver the following message:

Mention that you are a member of the National Association of Commercial Water Sport Operators and;

Senate Bill 2440 does not provide the type of protection from frivolous lawsuits that I need in order to continue conducting business in Florida. I am concerned that I will be unable to obtain liability insurance in the future if Senate Bill 2440 is passed. Without insurance, I cannot operate in this state. I need the kind of protection offered by House Bill 285 sponsored by Representative Mike Horner. Otherwise, I will not be able to allow minors to participate in our activity, which means I will go out of business.

Please describe the business you are in and its economic impact, specifically how many people you employ in the state. Please call and/or email your representative today as this bill's (285) future hangs in the balance right now.

Thank you for your prompt attention and participation!

NACWO Administrator