



Governor Signs COVID-19 Liability Protection

Governor Tony Evers signed [Special Session Senate Bill 1](#) into law, which protects businesses, schools, nonprofits and others from COVID-19 litigation. This Bill creates immunity from civil liability for an entity due to alleged injury or death from COVID-19 in the course of or through the performance of the entity's functions or services.

Section 8 of the Act outlines the following:

- Creates immunity from civil liability for an entity due to alleged injury or death from COVID-19 in the course of or through the performance of the entity's functions or services.
- This immunity does not apply if an act or omission involves reckless or wanton conduct or intentional misconduct.
- The immunity is retroactive to March 1, 2020, except for cases that have already been filed by the date of enactment.

The Senate passed the bill [27-3](#), and the Assembly approved it [89-0](#). The Governor signed it into law on Thursday, Feb. 25.

Read more:

- [Waukesha County Business Alliance](#)
- [Wisconsin Manufacturers & Commerce](#)
- [Senate Bill](#) [see pages 7 and 8 for immunity language]

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