



# City of Lauderhill

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## File Details

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**File Name:** Oppose increase in statutory limits of liability

**Final Action:**

**Title:** RESOLUTION NO. 21R-03-72: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, OPPOSING HOUSE BILL 1129 AND SENATE BILL 1678, INCREASING THE STATUTORY LIMITS ON LIABILITY FOR TORT CLAIMS AGAINST LOCAL GOVERNMENTS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER LAWRENCE "JABBOW" MARTIN).

**Notes:**

**Sponsors:**

**Enactment Date:**

**Attachments:** RES-21R-03-72-Oppose Bills re higher statutory limits.pdf, HB 1129.pdf, SB 1678.pdf

**Enactment Number:**

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### Text of Legislative File 21R-4034

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**Request Action:**

Pass a Resolution to oppose increasing the statutory limits of liability applicable to local governments for tort claims.

**Need:**

To oppose an increase in the statutory limits of liability applicable to local governments for tort claims.

**Summary Explanation/ Background:**

Two bills have been proposed this Legislative Session to increase the limits of liability applicable to local governments for total claims. House Bill 1129 and Senate Bill 1678 both seek to increase the limits of liability from the current limits of \$200,000 per person up to \$500,00 per person; and from the current aggregate for all claims arising from the same incident or occurrence from \$300,000 up to \$1 million and to provide for annual increases in those amounts for inflation.

**Attachments:**

House Bill 1129  
Senate Bill 1678

**Cost Summary/ Fiscal Impact:**

Unknown, but would be a huge impact on the limits of liability and result in larger settlements and judgments.

**Estimated Time for Presentation:**

**Master Plan:**

**Goal 1: Clean, Green Sustainable Environment**

- Increase mass transit ridership
- Reduce City energy consumption
- Reduce water consumption

**Goal 2: Safe and Secure City of Lauderhill**

- Crime in lower 50% in Broward
- Residents feel safe in neighborhood
- Reduce emergency fatalities

**Goal 3: Open Spaces and Active Lifestyle for all ages**

- Increase participation in youth sports
- Add new park land and amenities
- Increase attendance at cultural programs and classes

**Goal 4: Growing Local Economy, Employment and Quality of Commercial Areas**

- Increase commercial tax base
- Increase employment in Lauderhill businesses
- Decrease noxious and blighted uses in commercial areas

**Goal 5: Quality Housing at all Price Ranges and Attractive Communities**

- Neighborhood signs and active HOAs
- Housing & streets improved, litter reduced
- Increase proportion of single family homes and owner occupied housing

**Goal 6: Efficient and Effective City Government, Customer Focused & Values Diversity**

- Improves City efficiency
- Increase use of Information Technology
- Increases residents perception of Lauderhill as an excellent place to live