



# Spotlight On Justice



## ACADEMIC STUDY: PRODUCT LIABILITY LEADS TO SAFER PRODUCTS



“Liability considerations were a sufficient condition or a contributing factor to at least fourteen important auto safety improvements, including inadvertent vehicle movement, fuel tank design, occupant restraints, and all-terrain vehicle restrictions. The chemical industry is reported to have made significant safety improvements as a result of liability exposure.... Pharmaceutical company attorneys credit liability pressure for safety improvements.”

Source:  
Eisenberg, Theodore, *The Empirical Effects of Tort Reform* (April 1, 2012). Research Handbook on the Economics of Torts, Forthcoming; Cornell Legal Studies Research Paper No. 12-26. Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=2032740>

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