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Washington, DC— *The following is a statement from American Association for Justice CEO Linda Lipsen in response to the Senate Judiciary Subcommittee Hearing entitled: “Changing the Rules: Will limiting the scope of civil discovery diminish accountability and leave Americans without access to justice?”*

“These proposals will give corporations new tools to avoid providing the internal documents and emails needed to hold corporations legally accountable when they harm and kill Americans.

“We are pleased the Senate is holding a hearing to ensure the rules governing our courts are not rigged in favor of corporations over American citizens.

“If no one is accountable, no one is safe.”

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As the world's largest trial bar, the American Association for Justice (formerly known as the Association of Trial Lawyers of America) works to make sure people have a fair chance to receive justice through the legal system when they are injured by the negligence or misconduct of others—even when it means taking on the most powerful corporations. Visit <http://www.justice.org/newsroom>.

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