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Implications of Brexit on the Government's plans to reform personal injury

Commenting on the implications of Brexit on the Government's plans to reform personal injury, Martin Coyne, chairman of Access to Justice (A2J) said:

"The political turmoil, which will follow the out vote, may well push the personal injury reform proposals down the agenda, especially as they are sponsored by HM Treasury.

But rest assured, the insurance industry will do its best to keep them on the Government's radar, and we cannot be complacent.

A2J will continue to fight for the rights of ordinary people to seek redress when they are injured through no fault of their own, and we fully intend to continue to make the case to Government, that its plans to erase the legal rights of 60 million voters are misguided and wrong. A2J won't be satisfied until these plans disappear altogether."

About A2J

A2J represents the interests of the public and is supported by the broader personal injury (PI) sector. Its prime focus is to respond to the government's proposed road traffic accident compensation reforms, as announced by Chancellor George Osborne in his November 2015 Autumn Statement.

A2J provides members with a cohesive voice to fight these proposed draconian measures; it will work with the government and other interested parties to create sensible, balanced alternatives which protect individuals' rights, while addressing the government's concerns, particularly in relation to claims fraud.

What the government is proposing:

In his 2015 Autumn Statement, Chancellor George Osborne announced that people making personal injury claims worth up to £5,000 would have to use the small claims court and cannot recoup the cost of any legal advice. In addition, they would no longer be able to get any cash settlement for pain and suffering caused, although they would be able to claim for physiotherapy and loss of earnings.

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