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Why Defensive Medicine Won't Go Away...and Might Become Worse

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Individual states have been addressing the problem of medical malpractice lawsuits in different ways with varying degrees of success. Because medical malpractice premiums are skyrocketing, doctors have put pressure on lawmakers for help.

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