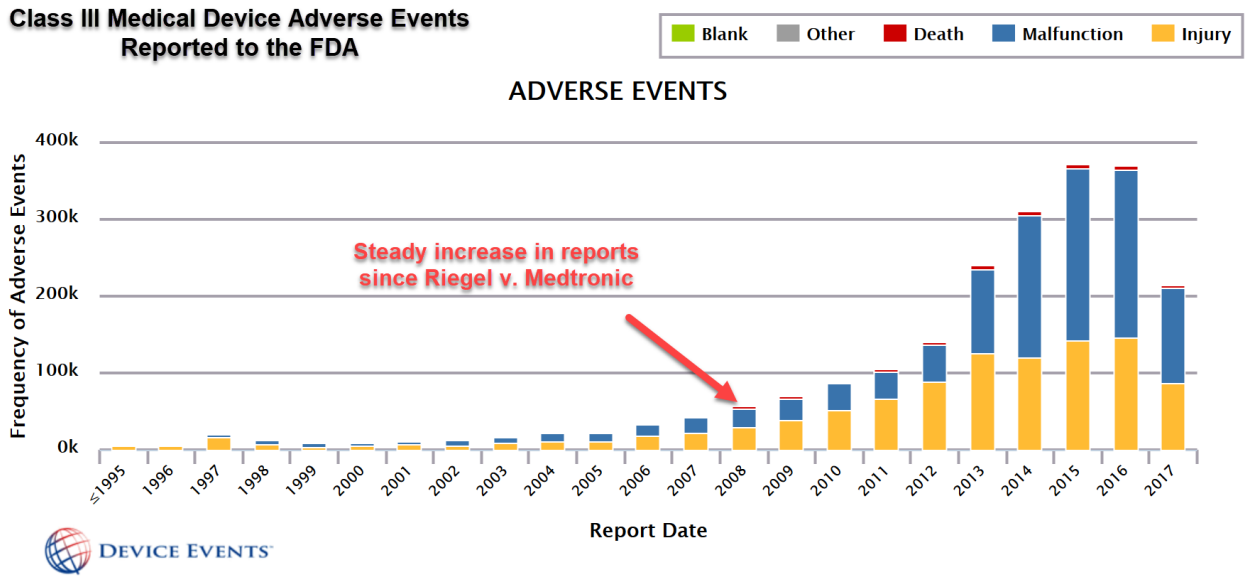
Medical Device Safety Act of 2017 (H.R. 2164)

In the first 7 months of this year alone, Class III devices have likely contributed to the death of 3,614 patients and resulted in 86,234 injuries.

Since device companies began benefitting from pre-emption after Riegel v. Medtronic, there has been a six-fold increase in death and injury reports submitted to the FDA.



The FDA and care providers cannot keep pace with 65,000+ reports each month, and there is no financial check to keep device companies from marketing and implanting potentially risky devices. Patients and their families, and even physicians, have no recourse when **it takes the FDA 2 months to 2 years to identify problems and initiate enforcement action**.

MEDICAL DEVICE TYPE	INJURY REPORTS	DEATH REPORTS
HIP IMPLANTS	229,308	554
DEFIBRILLATORS	197,247	16,557
CARDIAC STENTS/VALVES	188,027	18,187
PACEMAKERS	179,562	14,165
IMPLANTED NERVE STIMULATORS	131,988	5,647
INFUSION PUMPS	139,661	3,234
SURGICAL MESH	119,052	1,315
SPINAL FUSION/IMPLANTS	32,766	198
BREAST IMPLANTS	19,134	101
TUBAL OCCLUSION (incl ESSURE)	16,305	45
COCHLEAR IMPLANTS	15,441	51

Device safety is a bipartisan issue that touches almost every American at some point in their lives.

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