

**Title: Ban Tanning Booth Use By Minors in Michigan**

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**Referred to: Reference Committee D**

**House Action: Adopted.**

**Whereas, Melanoma is the common form of cancer in young adults aged 25 to 29 years and the second most common cancer in those aged 15 to 29 years, and**

**Whereas, in the United States, there will be an estimated 70,230 new cases of melanoma and 8,790 deaths this year. In Michigan 2,240 people were diagnosed with melanoma in 2009 with 248 deaths from melanoma, and**

**Whereas, the cost of melanoma treatment was \$2.36 billion dollars in 2010, and**

**Whereas, tanning booth use has been shown to lead to both melanoma and non-melanoma skin cancers and the risk for melanoma increases in patients who have “ever” versus “never” used tanning beds, and**

**Whereas, 2.3 million indoor tanners are teenagers, and 24% of US adolescents aged 13-19 years old have reported use of indoor tanning, and**

**Whereas, the risk of melanoma is increased by 75% when tanning booth use begins before the age of 30, and**

**Whereas, in 2009 the World Health Organization (WHO) and the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) reclassified tanning booth use to “carcinogenic to humans” (Group 1), and**

**Whereas, the American Medical Association (AMA), American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), American Academy of Dermatology (AAD), and WHO all support a tanning booth ban for minors, and**

47           **Whereas, other countries such as Brazil, France, Germany, Austria, and the**  
48 **United Kingdom have banned indoor tanning for individuals younger than 18, and**  
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50           **Whereas, lawmakers in the state of California in addition to those in**  
51 **Howard County, Maryland have successfully banned tanning booth use for**  
52 **minors and Rhode Island, New Jersey, and New York have passed legislation in**  
53 **the Senate or House banning tanning bed use for young people under age 18, and**  
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55           **Whereas, in 2008 the State of Michigan was a leader in indoor tanning legislation**  
56 **and passed House Bill 4146 to require parental permission for tanning bed use**  
57 **for minors, and**  
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59           **Whereas, despite these initial legislative efforts, teenagers continue to use**  
60 **indoor tanning beds increasing their risk for both melanoma and non-melanoma**  
61 **skin cancers and increasing healthcare costs and expenditures; therefore be it**  
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63           **RESOLVED: That MSMS will support legislation to prohibit access to the**  
64 **use of indoor tanning equipment by anyone under the age of 18.**  
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