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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - TANNING FACILITY SAFETY STANDARDS

Introduced By: Representatives Ajello, Baldelli-Hunt, Walsh, Corvese, and McNamara

Date Introduced: January 28, 2010

Referred To: House Health, Education & Welfare

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 23-68-4 of the General Laws in Chapter 23-68 entitled "Tanning
- 2 Facility Safety Standards Act" is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 3 **23-68-4. Safety standards established.** -- The director of the department of health shall,
- 4 by regulation, establish minimum safety standards for tanning facilities. The standards shall
- 5 include, but not be limited to:
 - 6 (1) Establishment of a maximum safe time of exposure to radiation and a maximum safe
 - 7 temperature at which tanning devices may be operated;
 - 8 (2) A requirement that a timer device be incorporated into each tanning device;
 - 9 (3) A requirement that a patron at a tanning facility wear protective eye glasses when
 - 10 using tanning equipment and that a patron be supervised as to the length of time the patron uses
 - 11 tanning equipment at the facility;
 - 12 (4) Requiring that the facility operator post easily legible, permanent warning signs near
 - 13 the tanning equipment which states: "Danger -- Ultra-violet radiation. Follow all instructions.
 - 14 Avoid overexposure"; as well as a list, prepared by the director of the department of health, of
 - 15 prescription and non-prescription drugs which may cause photosensitivity in patients using a
 - 16 tanning center; **and**
 - 17 (5) Require that the facility have protective shielding for tanning equipment in the
 - 18 facility; **and**
 - 19 **(6) A prohibition on the use of tanning facilities by persons younger than eighteen (18)**

1 years of age.

2 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would require the director of the department of health to include, as minimum
- 2 safety standards for tanning facilities, a prohibition on the use of such facilities by persons
- 3 younger than eighteen (18) years of age.
- 4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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