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Representative Tom Brinkman, Chairman
Commerce and Labor Committee
Ohio House of Representatives
3215 Hardisty Avenue
Cincinnati, OH 45208

Dear Chairman Brinkman and Members of the Commerce and Labor Committee:

Going to tanning beds and thus increasing the chances of developing so many preventable diseases in later life, such as skin cancer, cataracts, blindness, suppressed immune system, lupus, photosensitivity, etc., does not make good financial sense for the individual, government, employers, fighting inflation or this banker, etc. Our nation is experiencing a financial health crisis and only has so much money to spend before there will be a rationing of health care. If we have to spend money to treat diseases that were preventable then there will be less money to spend on non-preventable diseases. Then we all suffer. I also believe that the passage of House Bill 230 will significantly reduce the health care costs associated with the damages done by tanning parlor rays.

As a parent of two children, I have been aware for a long time of the hazards of tanning. Through various school functions, I have tried to educate and inform other parents and students of the hazards involved with tanning. Furthermore, as I continue to educate and inform the parents and students in our schools, the passage of House Bill 230 will make this effort easier and more effective.

Please vote in favor of House Bill 230 which would prohibit the sale of hazardous tanning parlor ultraviolet radiation to all those age 17 and younger.

Sincerely,



Richard Titus