
OLR Bill Analysis

sSB 872 (File 535, as amended by Senate "A")*

AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF INDOOR TANNING DEVICES BY PERSONS UNDER EIGHTEEN YEARS OF AGE.

SUMMARY:

Current law subjects tanning facility operators to a fine of up to \$100 if they allow someone under age 16 to use a tanning device without the parent's or guardian's written consent.

This bill raises this age threshold and eliminates the exception for parental or guardian consent. It prohibits tanning facility operators from allowing anyone under age 17 to use a tanning device. Violators are subject to the same fine of up to \$100. As under current law, tanning facility operators are subject to the fine if they know the person's age or should have known it under the circumstances.

By law, a "tanning facility" is any place where a tanning device is used for a fee, membership dues, or other compensation. A "tanning device" is any equipment emitting radiation used for tanning, such as a sunlamp, tanning booth, or tanning bed emitting ultraviolet radiation. It includes any accompanying equipment, such as timers or handrails.

*Senate Amendment "A" lowers the age restriction in the underlying bill from people under age 18 to under age 17.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2013

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 25 Nay 2 (04/01/2013)