

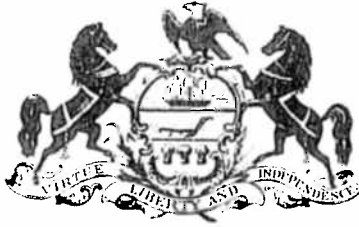
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Date: December 27, 2010
To: All House Members
From: Representative RoseMarie Swanger
Subject: Co-sponsor – Re-introduction of HB 2642
INDOOR TANNING DEVICE

I plan to re-introduce HB 2642 that prohibits anyone under the age of 18 from using an indoor tanning device.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) warns consumers that Ultra Violet (UV) radiation in tanning devices poses serious health risks. Studies conclude that tanning devices are more dangerous than previously thought. Exposure to UV radiation, whether from the sun or indoor tanning beds, can cause skin cancer, skin burns, premature skin aging and eye damage (both short- and long-term).

According to the FDA, exposure to UV radiation—whether from the sun or from artificial sources such as sunlamps used in tanning beds—increases the risk of developing skin cancer. The National Cancer Institute (NCI) reports that intermittent exposures to intense UV radiation leading to sunburns, especially in childhood and teen years, increase the risk of melanoma, the deadliest form of skin cancer.

If you wish to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Lily Horst, 787-2686, or via e-mail at lhorst@pahousegop.com

Previous Co-sponsors of HB 2642: SWANGER , DeLUCA , GINGRICH , KILLION , MURT , D. O'BRIEN , SIPTROTH , K. SMITH , YOUNGBLOOD and HOUGHTON