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To help prevent the occurrence of cancer resulting from the use of ultraviolet tanning lamps by providing sufficient information to consumers regarding the health risks associated with the use of such devices.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 19, 2012

Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. ISAKSON) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Tanning Transparency
5 and Notification Act of 2012”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds as follows:

1 (1) Two million Americans—approximately 70
2 percent of whom are girls and women—visit a tan-
3 ning salon each day.

4 (2) The World Health Organization reports
5 that the risk of cutaneous melanoma is increased by
6 75 percent when use of tanning devices starts before
7 30 years of age.

8 (3) In 2012, approximately 131,810 new cases
9 of melanoma will be diagnosed in the United States
10 and approximately 9,180 people will die from mela-
11 noma.

12 (4) In a December 2008 Report to Congress,
13 the Food and Drug Administration determined,
14 through its own analysis, that the current warning
15 labels for indoor tanning devices do not effectively
16 communicate the risks associated with indoor tan-
17 ning and is therefore reviewing modifications to the
18 labeling requirements in an effort to better inform
19 consumers about the risks associated with sunlamp
20 products.

21 **SEC. 3. LABELING REQUIREMENTS.**

22 Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment
23 of this Act, the Commissioner of Food and Drugs shall
24 carry out the recommendations made in the report sub-
25 mitted under section 230 of the Food and Drug Adminis-

- 1 tration Amendments Act of 2007 (Public Law 110–85)
- 2 regarding the labeling of ultraviolet tanning lamps.

