

American Legion Auxiliary  
New Mexico Girls State  
**Bill**



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Simple Title of Bill: Ban the tan

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HOUSE BILL

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**72<sup>nd</sup> SESSION – AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NEW MEXICO GIRLS STATE – 2019**

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AN ACT

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BAN THE TAN; ENDANGERMENT OF MINORS

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY NEW

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MEXICO GIRLS STATE:

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SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS. - Carcinogen: a substance that is capable of causing cancer.

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Minor: An individual under the age of 18

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Identification: A state issues documentation which includes an individual's age

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SECTION 2. PROVISIONS. - Currently the state of New Mexico does not have any

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restrictions regarding tanning beds. the dangers of tanning beds have been undermined.

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Tanning beds are carcinogen, and capable of causing cancer, the use of Indoor

1 tanning bed prior to the age of 35 can potentially increase the risk of developing melanoma  
2 and other skin cancers by 59 percent. The bill should be included the prohibition of tanning  
3 facilities employees allowing minors to use the equipment and they would be required to I.D  
4 customers in the state of New Mexico. The implication of having only people over the age  
5 of 18 allows for the individual to be mature enough to make a potentially life changing  
6 decision on their own free will. However although rare in some cases doctors do suggest for  
7 patients to visit a tanning center in the case of vitamin D deficiency, eczema, and other skin  
8 conditions. In the case of tanning bed usage for medical purposes the individual would have  
9 to provide proof of medical history. Any tanning facilities that fail to cooperate will be fined.  
10 The first offense will be a fine of 500 dollars the second offense will be a fine of 1000  
11 dollars and the third offense will result in the revocation of the business's license. Any  
12 revenue collected from fees will be used by the New Mexico department of health for public  
13 funds. The money collected will be used to fund public education of the dangers of tanning  
14 beds

15 SECTION 3. PENALTY. - Any businesses who have failed to comply will be fined. For the  
16 first offense they will be fined \$500 dollars the second offense will be \$1000 and on the third  
17 offense the penalty will be the revocation of their license

18 SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION. - The revenues collected from the fees will be used by  
19 New Mexico's department of health. The money will fund public education on the dangers  
20 of tanning beds

21 All laws, acts, provisions, or parts of laws contained in the Constitution of the State of New  
22 Mexico in conflict with any provision of this act are hereby repealed.

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