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By Senators King, Darneille, Kohl-Welles, Hewitt, Conway, and Frockt  
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1            AN ACT Relating to protecting children under the age of eighteen  
2 from the harmful effects of exposure to ultraviolet radiation  
3 associated with tanning devices; adding a new chapter to Title 18 RCW;  
4 and prescribing penalties.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

6            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.**    The definitions in this section apply  
7 throughout this chapter unless the context clearly requires otherwise.

8            (1) "Tanning facility" means any location, place, area, structure,  
9 or business that provides persons access to any ultraviolet tanning  
10 device for a fee.

11            (2) "Ultraviolet tanning device" means equipment that emits  
12 electromagnetic radiation with wavelengths in the air between two  
13 hundred and four hundred nanometers used for tanning of the skin  
14 including, but not limited to, a sunlamp, tanning booth, or tanning  
15 bed. An ultraviolet tanning device does not mean a phototherapy device  
16 which may be used by or under the direct supervision of a licensed  
17 physician who is trained in the use of phototherapy devices.

1        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.**    (1) Persons under eighteen years of age are  
2 prohibited from using an ultraviolet tanning device.

3        (2) Proof of age must be satisfied with a driver's license or other  
4 government-issued identification containing the date of birth and a  
5 photograph of the individual.

6        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 3.**    The owner of a tanning facility that  
7 violates this chapter is liable for a civil penalty not to exceed two  
8 hundred fifty dollars per violation in addition to any other penalty  
9 established by law.

10       NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 4.**    Sections 1 through 3 of this act constitute  
11 a new chapter in Title 18 RCW.

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