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RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF SUN SAFETY

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Mr. BARTON of Texas, from the Committee on Energy and Commerce, submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 169]

The Committee on Energy and Commerce, to whom was referred the resolution (H. Res. 169) recognizing the importance of sun safety, and for other purposes, having considered the same, report favorably thereon with an amendment and recommend that the resolution as amended be agreed to.

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AMENDMENT

The amendment is as follows:

Strike all after the resolving clause and insert the following:

That the House of Representatives—

(1) recognizes the importance of sun safety;

(2) encourages all Americans to protect themselves and their children from the dangers of excessive sun exposure;

(3) congratulates organizations like the Sun Safety Alliance for their efforts to promote sun safety and prevent skin cancer; and
(4) supports the goals and ideals of National Sun Safety Week.

PURPOSE AND SUMMARY

H. Res. 169 raises the awareness and the importance of sun safety activities.

BACKGROUND AND NEED FOR LEGISLATION

Each year about a million Americans are diagnosed with skin cancer. Taking simple precautions when engaged in outdoor activities has the potential to significantly reduce the risk of skin cancer. H. Res. 169 seeks to raise awareness of the importance of sun safety activities in order to reduce exposure to skin cancer.

HEARINGS

The Committee on Energy and Commerce has not held hearings on the legislation.

COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

On Wednesday, April 27, 2005, the Subcommittee on Health met in open markup session and approved H. Res. 169 for Full Committee consideration, as amended, by a voice vote, a quorum being present. On Wednesday, May 4, 2005, the Full Committee met in open markup session and ordered H. Res. 169 reported to the House, as amended, by a voice vote, a quorum being present.

COMMITTEE VOTES

Clause 3(b) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives requires the Committee to list the record votes on the motion to report legislation and amendments thereto. There were no record votes taken in connection with ordering H. Res. 169 reported. A motion by Mr. Barton to order H. Res. 169 reported to the House, as amended, was agreed to by a voice vote.

COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT FINDINGS

Pursuant to clause 3(c)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee has not held oversight or legislative hearings on this legislation.

STATEMENT OF GENERAL PERFORMANCE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The goal of H. Res. 169 is to raise the awareness of the importance of sun safety activities.

NEW BUDGET AUTHORITY, ENTITLEMENT AUTHORITY, AND TAX EXPENDITURES

In compliance with clause 3(c)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee finds that H. Res. 169 would result in no new or increased budget authority, entitlement authority, or tax expenditures or revenues.

COMMITTEE COST ESTIMATE

The Committee finds that H. Res. 169 would result in no new costs to the Federal Government.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE ESTIMATE AND FEDERAL MANDATES STATEMENT

The Congressional Budget Office estimate required pursuant to clause 3(c)(3) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, and section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and the estimate of Federal mandates required pursuant to section 423 of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act were not requested from the Congressional Budget Office as the Committee finds that H. Res. 169 would result in no new costs to the Federal Government.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE STATEMENT

No advisory committees within the meaning of section 5(b) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act were created by this legislation.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 3(d)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee finds that the Constitutional authority for this legislation is provided in Article I, section 8, clause 3, which grants Congress the power to regulate commerce with foreign nations, among the several States, and with the Indian tribes.

APPLICABILITY TO LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

The Committee finds that the legislation does not relate to the terms and conditions of employment or access to public services or accommodations within the meaning of section 102(b)(3) of the Congressional Accountability Act.

SECTION-BY-SECTION ANALYSIS OF THE LEGISLATION

H. Res. 169 resolves that the House of Representatives recognizes the importance of sun safety. The Resolution also encourages all Americans to protect themselves and their children from the dangers of excessive sun exposure. Further, H. Res. 169 congratulates organizations like the Sun Safety Alliance for their efforts to promote sun safety and prevent skin cancer and it supports the goals and ideals of National Sun Safety Week.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW MADE BY THE BILL, AS REPORTED

This legislation does not amend any existing Federal statute.

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