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Basu and Jones (2007) went so far as to suggest the need for a new “intellectual framework in which to consider the nature and form of regulation in cyberspace” (para. 4).

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In their study, Verbunt, Pernot, and Smeets (2008) found that “the level of perceived disability in patients with fibromyalgia seemed best explained by their mental health condition and less by their physical condition” (Discussion section, para. 1).

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“Empirical studies have found mixed results on the efficacy of labels in educating consumers and changing consumption behavior” (Golan, Kuchler, & Krissof, 2007, “Mandatory Labeling Has Targeted,” para. 4).

Original heading was “Mandatory Labeling Has Targeted Information Gaps and Social Objectives.”

Reference Examples of Online Sources

Online magazine article.

Novotney, A. (2009, November 10). Yoga as a practice tool. *Monitor on Psychology*, 40(10), 38. Retrieved from <http://www.apa.org/monitor/2009/11/yoga.html>

Online newspaper article.

Robertson, C., & Kovaleski, F. (2009, November 12). Scarred, Fort Hood Survivors Move On. *The New York Times*. Retrieved from http://www.nytimes.com/2009/11/13/us/13survivors.html?_r=1&ref=todayspaper

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