

PUBLIC SAFETY VS. PRIVATE RIGHTS: BEAUTY AND THE BUILDING

Ms. Disher's sample TOK presentation
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Issues at Hand

- Brazilian Keratin Treatment

- <http://www.cbsnews.com/stories/2007/10/26/earlyshow/health/main3414868.shtml>

- Asbestos

- <http://www.mogulite.com/asbestos-mogul-on-daily-show/>

Two Sides to Every Story (BKT)

Regulate use of potentially harmful chemicals in beauty industry

- Customers may not fully understand risks of treatment
- A person at any age can get the treatment, so maturity is a factor
- Fumes from the treatment can harm others (person performing treatment, other customers/professionals in the salon)

Do not regulate use of potentially harmful chemicals

- Does not guarantee health problems, merely increases likelihood
- People who opt for the treatment should make themselves aware of the risks—personal responsibility (ignorance=not govt's problem)
- Regulation—we don't strictly regulate chemicals in other products (hair dye, nail polish)



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