

The Policy of Prevention



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The Campaign for Safe Cosmetics

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Toxic Chemicals in Commerce

Carcinogens – Benzene, ethylene oxide

Hormone Disrupting Chemicals – BPA

Reproductive Toxicants – Phthalates

Neurodevelopmental Toxicants –

Flame Retardants

Taking Action at Home

Simple Actions to Reduce Exposures:

- **Go Fresh, Organic and Hormone-Free**
- **Don't Microwave in Plastic...Ever!**
- **Cut Down on Personal Care Products**
- **Go Simple When Cleaning
(Vinegar, Baking Soda)**



Failure of Federal Regulation

EPA

Industrial Chemicals



Pesticides



Air



Water



FDA

Food contact substances



Personal care products



Medical devices



OSHA

Industrial cleaners



Occupational exposures



CPSC (Consumer Product Safety Commission)

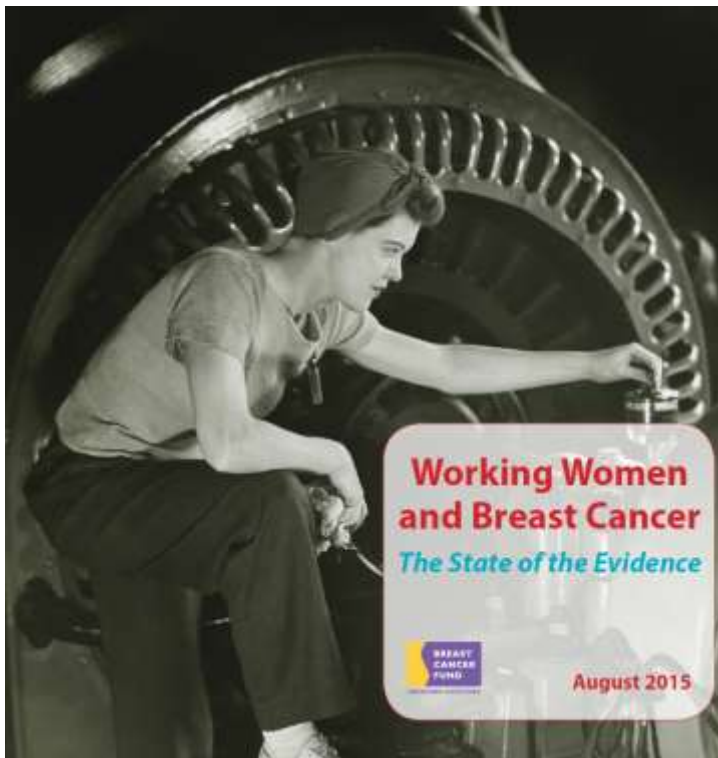
Consumer products



Household cleaners



Failure of OSHA



5 types of jobs with elevated breast cancer risk!



Nurses: Up to 50% higher risk than for the general population



Teachers: Up to double the risk



Librarians, lawyers, journalists and other professions: Up to 4 times higher risk



Radiological Technicians: Up to double the risk



Lab Technicians, factory workers and others who work with chemical solvents: Up to 3 times higher risk

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Failure of the FDA

**No Pre-Market Testing
for Safety**

No Recall Authority

**No Adverse Event
Reporting**

**\$71 Billion Industry –
*Self-Regulated***



Chemicals in Cosmetics

Toxic Chemicals

- Formaldehyde
- Dibutyl Phthalate
- Coal Tar

Health Impacts:

- Cancer
- Birth Defects
- Reproductive Problems
- Learning Disabilities



Personal Care Products Safety Act

Good:

- Register Companies and Products
- Ingredient Disclosure for Salon Products
- Review 5 Chemicals/Year

Improve:

- Stronger Safety Standard
- Ingredient Disclosure for Fragrance
- Adverse Event Reporting

76 years of self-regulation?
Tell the Senate you deserve
REAL cosmetics reform



Failure of EPA and TSCA

By the Numbers

- 85,000 chemicals
- 62,000 grandfathered
- 200 chemicals tested
- 39 years without updating
- 5 chemicals regulated



Elements of True TSCA Reform

- **Strong Safety Standard that includes Vulnerable Populations**
- **Adequate Safety Data on All Chemicals**
- **Quick Action on the Worst Chemicals, PBTs**
- **Public Access to Information**
- **Protection of States' Right to Act**



Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act

- **Pre-empts Alaska's Ability to Protect Their Citizens**
- **Does Not Address PBTs – Persistent Bioaccumulative Toxics**
- **Too Few Chemicals/Too Little \$\$**
- **Low Priority – “Likely” to be Safe**



Awaiting Action on the Senate Floor

NOW is the Time to Act

Critical Role for Alaskans



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“Numerous constituents have mentioned persistent bioaccumulative toxins ("PBTs") as an important point of concern, and I would not sign on as a cosponsor of this bill until provisions addressing those substances are included”.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lisa Murkowski".

Thank You

For More Information:

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