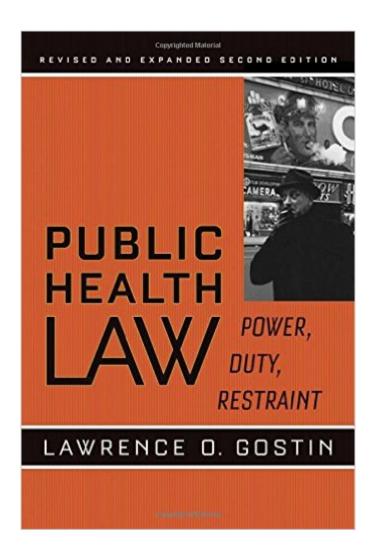
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Public Health Law, first published in 2000, has been widely acclaimed as the definitive statement on public health law at the start of the twenty-first century. Lawrence O. Gostin's definition was based on the notion that government bears a responsibility for advancing the health and well-being of the general population, and the book developed a rich understanding of the government's powers and duties while showing law to be an effective tool in the realization of a healthier and safer population. In this second edition, Gostin analyzes the major health threats of our times, from emerging infectious diseases and bioterrorism to chronic diseases caused by obesity.

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Terrific text. Minus nano star and then rounded back up because I could not go to pages that matched the book's pagination. The instructors had to indicate chapters or I had to do a word search. I wish the reader were on Kindle too.

This is a good text summarizing relevant Public Health Law issues. However, it's not the most current and given the drastic technological advances and public health law issues raised within the past few years, it's more than overdue for a refresh. My only criticism would be that it's WAAAAY WAAAAY too repetitive of the reader.

Very interesting book so far. It's very descriptive, informative and simple to understand. I definitely like the author's simple approach to the subject matter. This book was actually a second choice of my professor because the price is much more affordable than comparable textbooks. I think this author does a great job with presenting the information.

The best part of this book is its index. After reading the Showalter Law in Health Administration text, this Gostin Public Health Law text makes me want to stick a fork in my eye. I struggled to make it through every chapter. It's verbose, unbelievably redundant, and over-complicates and beleaguers simple material. I would not recommend it. If you are in a course that uses it as a primary text book, drop the course.

Public Health Law has not attracted academic interest in Europe among Medical Law professionals. De facto, it has remained an untouched area. Therefore I was amazed to find this comprehensive title. Although it bases much on US law and case law, it still captures the essential points of PHLaw applicable everywhere. It is an fascinating story in terms of history, cases, human rights etc. It is also interesting for those interested in regulation theory.

I am starting this course that requires this text and was happy it was in Kindle format. On my first assignment I realized it will be mostly useless because there are no page numbers. Stupid oversight for a textbook. Thanks guys.

I am so glad the class is more active than this book. Read when you have activity to keep you up. my teacher thinks this is an inspiring book but it isn't as great as he thinks it is. I get more out of class than the chapters.

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