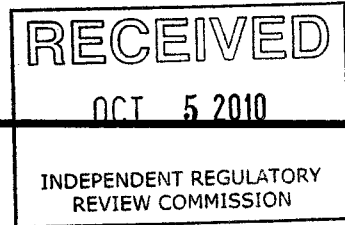


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From: Ms. Jessa Green [green4keeps@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, October 05, 2010 8:39 AM
To: IRRC
Subject: Please vote to DISAPPROVE "proposed regulation #2777 Department of Agriculture 2-160"

I am a raw milk activist in Wisconsin, and I am concerned about this proposed regulation in PA. PA is a model raw milk state for the rest of our nation. Please consider how what happens in PA could eventually impact other states.

There are two particularly onerous requirements in the proposed regulations:

First, the regulations would require a mechanical bottling machine for producers; with a limited exception, handcapping would be prohibited.

Second, bottling, single-service container storage, and bottle washing must be done in rooms other than the milk room; currently, many raw milk producers in Pennsylvania bottle and handicap in the milk room and would have to incur the expense of constructing a separate room. Moreover, bottle washing would not be allowed in the room devoted to bottling and container storage.

These proposed regulations have nothing to do with protecting the public health and would only push many smaller farmers out of business due to the expense of these unnecessary changes.

Thanks!
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"The greater danger for most of us lies not in setting our aim too high and falling short; but in setting our aim too low, and achieving our mark." ~ Michelangelo