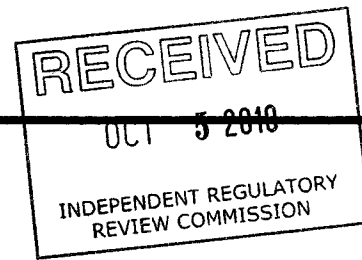


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I am very concerned about proposed regulation #2777, Department of Agriculture 2-160. Pennsylvania is a leading example of how to truly feed our families with quality. When is our country going to really get it right in our food industry? What is healthy we want to throw out and we allow corporations to junk food us to death, LITERALLY. This doesn't make sense, and as a consumer, I'm sick of it, thank goodness, not literally. Be true to agriculture. There have been many instances of tainted pasteurized products; eggs which they can resell in other foods?!, etc., but somehow, nothing changes.

I drink raw milk, have for a long time, and I will drink none other. I dream of the day when ALL dairy products are raw, and we can find it in abundance - cream cheese, ice cream, cottage cheese, etc., etc.

Although some regulations on this latter group are necessary, the regulation could be much simpler if they were performance standards, requiring that the end product achieves a desired result. How that result is achieved is the producers' responsibility, not the State's. That would result in the State's role being to test for compliance, a function that could easily be contracted out, rather than inserting itself in micromanaging the operation.

Again, I view the proposed regulation as excessive, and in some cases onerous and unnecessary. These flaws warrant that the proposed regulation be rejected. It's high time to get it right!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Signed
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