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As a member of C.A.R.E. I have an interest in the Raw Milk products I eat that come from Penn. farms. Our organization is a Farm to Consumer organization that provides products and supports the farmers who produce them. Any legislation preventing or modifying the production and transport of the products becomes of interest of the consumer and since we are the greater community around the farm it is we that have to write to prevent stumbling blocks for the farmer that don't improve the product. C.A.R.E farmers grow in a diversified system without need for chemical pesticides, and herbicides. The care of the land in a sustainable manner is in the greater interest of all. The usual customer in the supermarket is not aware of the condition of the land, only what is written on the label. Buying local is the mantra without a complete knowledge of the "carbon food print" imbedded in our food. I do feel better eating raw products knowing all the elements of what I eat are handled with care. I feel better knowing the words I can't read on the label are not today's publicity, passed off as safe. Tomorrow there will be warnings. Why not today?

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