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**INQUIRY INTO PROVISIONS OF THE RIGHT TO FARM  
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It sounds innocuous enough, the right to farm. But there is so much else going on with this. It is a right to hide animal cruelty; it is a right to abuse animals; it is a right to allow bio-security issues to manifest themselves without oversight; it is a right to pollute the surrounding areas with toxic run-off; it is a right to overuse antibiotics and allow that to enter the food chain; it is a right to kill animals way before the end of their natural life; it is a right to release excess methane into the atmosphere; it is a right to clear land destroying to homes and lives of wildlife; it is a right to shoot native animals; it is a right to poison animals with 1080; it is a right to make people ill with heart disease and strokes and so much more. The over-reach of these proposed laws is much like the trespass laws, aimed at protecting those who do bad things to animals. Current laws are more than adequate to protect farmers and they do not need any further rights of this type. Thank you.