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Public awareness and consciousness is growing in the area of animal welfare. AgGag laws run contrary to this growth. Openness and transparency are optimums we should strive for in all areas of industry. If there are, as there is now, few laws to protect farmed animals from suffering, or at the very least mistreatment, at the hands of some in the industry, then we must rely on outside forces to monitor aspects of animal welfare. If you are doing nothing wrong then you have nothing to worry about. Trespassing has been the only way instances of animal abuse has been exposed in the past. Why provide protection for animal abusers? Do not implement these laws for if you do you will discover you are on the wrong side of history and on the wrong side of a growing social movement that seeks to improve the lives of farmed animals and encourage more enlighten attitudes.