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**INQUIRY INTO PROVISIONS OF THE RIGHT TO FARM
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As an animal lover, I am very concerned about the "Right to Farm Bill". Having worked in farms previously, there are a lot of farmers who want to have humane practices for animals.

However there are also cruel and unscrupulous farmers who do not have animals best interests at heart. I have seen footage of animals being tortured in abbatoirs, chicken farms and piggeries. If we do not have whistleblowers then these cruel practices continue and farmers are not held to account.

More and more consumers are buying free range and organic foods, especially meat and poultry. This indicates to me that consumers are taking more of an active interest in how animals are raised and the conditions they live in before they go to their end. Surely humane treatment of animals should be a priority, rather than persecuting whistleblowers?

Kind regards
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