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Dear Committee,

As a long time social worker, now retired, I have taken a great interest in the multiple social benefits of all aspects of sustainable and regenerative agriculture. I have spent the last several years since 2010 meeting and learning from start up and small scale farmers and hearing about and seeing first hand the obstacles they face. Supporting new farmers and current farmers in access to land and capital and any other needs they have to succeed is a “no brainer,” triple bottom line proposition: good for individuals, good for the environment and good for our communities. These folks are, excuse me but as an old person, I can say this: *adorable*, full of passion, energy and substance. They study deeply and work hard for our greater good. I personally host a start up farmer on my small acreage [see Kristin White at [www.shortstockfarm.com](http://www.shortstockfarm.com) ] and know that even the hardest working, most committed farmer is essentially facing an uphill battle for many basic needs for business success. We are fortunate at this point in history to have a wave of dedicated future farmers lined up to take us forward with healthy communities and rural revitalization. I urge you to do all you can to support them. I do.

Thank you for your thoughtful attention to these import bills. I encourage you to support them all.

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