

Submitter: Anthony Bernards

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources

Measure: SB85

Chair Golden and Members of the Committee,

I strongly oppose Senate Bill SB 85. We are a small family farm that has raised poultry for over 38 years, we currently market over 2 million birds a year under 2 CAFO permits. If this bill passes it puts our family farm at great risk, increased cost of regulation and or elimination of expansion opportunities makes our investment in growing these birds almost worthless. This does not have to happen because a very small group of activists don't believe in what we do. I hear the words "factory farm" to describe what we do, that could not be further from the truth. Those who use that term are out of touch with modern farming practices.

I urge you to use common sense when deciding this matter before and not to fall prey to catch phrases and misinformation from activists.

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