

# Vote No on Question 3

## Prevent Cruelty to Animals

**What:** Question 3 is a proposed new Constitutional Amendment for Maine's Constitution. It is called the "Right to Food" amendment, and it would place broad constitutional protections for individual's food choices within the state while creating a constitutional shield for cruelty to animals.

**Why opposed:** Our primary concern is that this will pre-empt many state and local regulations regarding animal welfare and the proper treatment of animals. These regulations have been hard won by animal welfare advocates, including us- your veterinarians!

Maine already has great opportunities for local food and allows broad individual discretion over growing your own food. A constitutional amendment is not needed.

**When:** Please vote on November 2, 2021 and support animals in choosing "NO" for Question 3.

