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Letter from Senator Ellender on Montana Livestock Sanitary Board

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June 8, 1970

Honorable Mike Mansfield
Majority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator:

Thank you for your letter of June 2 with which you enclosed a letter to you from the Montana Livestock Sanitary Board concerning the inquiry of Mr. Jim Harris, Employee of Dick's Grocery, Valier, Montana.

Since your letter was written, this Committee reported, and the Senate passed, S. 3592, to take care of the situation described in the letter from the Livestock Sanitary Board. S. 3592 would permit Dick's Grocery to engage in custom slaughtering and also in the retail sale of meat and meat products. When the law is fully effective, retail sales of meat and meat food products covered by the Meat Inspection Act would have to be confined to those which had been slaughtered and prepared in accordance with that Act. Inspection would not be required for custom slaughtering done in accordance with the exemption provided by that Act.

Copies of S. 3592 and this Committee's report on it are enclosed.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Chairman

A. J. Ellender, Chairman