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I oppose this bill because policies that expand certain privileges while restricting entry points do not strengthen a system. Long term resilience comes from wider access, not tighter eligibility gates.

This proposal affects my household directly. It limits our ability to buy from smaller and beginning producers and reduces the range of local options available to our family. When eligibility thresholds are added to who can operate farm stands, fewer producers can participate, which reduces competition and consumer choice.

Our family benefits from open, low barrier direct to consumer farm sales. Please do not adopt rules that make it harder for small producers to enter local markets or for households like ours to access them.