

- (1) limits any State or local law or regulation protecting the welfare of animals; or
- (2) prevents a State or unit of local government from adopting and enforcing an animal welfare law or regulation that is more stringent than this section.

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There shall be at the seat of government a Department of Agriculture, the general design and duties of which shall be to acquire and to diffuse among the people of the United States useful information on subjects connected with agriculture, rural development, aquaculture, and