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Committee Secretary  
Senate Standing Committees on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport  
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Dear Sir,

The requirements to kill and butcher meat has been taken to a stage that only people with 40 million dollars can do it!

This is totally unnecessary, proper hygiene and animal welfare do not require the enormous infrastructure now mandatory.

The current system is actually very stressful for animals and the meat is effected by this. There is a better way!

There is need for regional small Abattoirs that can process local animals without having to ship them to mega plants that pay next to production cost for the animals.

Small rural communities are slowly dying because these sorts of businesses are no longer possible under the current regulatory environment.

If your standing committee could look at allowing smaller operations to exist, I think the rural sector may have a chance to survive.

Local jobs means the money stays in the local area, employing many other local people.

Kindest Regards

Peter Gregory