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IPPA Statement on Ag Protection Ruling by the District Court

The ag-fraud law passed in 2012 was meant to provide meaningful protection to farmers from those who would use false pretenses to do harm to the farmers' reputation and to their farm animals. We're disappointed that the court did not agree with the way the law was written.

It was never the intent of farmers to infringe on others' constitutional rights; but we also were relying on the courts to help us protect our rights to lawfully conduct our businesses and care for our animals.

We appreciate that the Iowa Legislature, our Iowa Governor and the Iowa Attorney General worked in a bi-partisan fashion to stand together in efforts to protect pig farmers.

Iowa pig farmers will continue to properly care for their animals and provide safe and secure working conditions for their employees. And, they will fight those who try to destroy or attack their livelihoods one case at a time, if necessary.

In that vein, we will evaluate our options moving forward.