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WINTHROP, MAINE - [Right to Food for Maine](#) is pleased to announce that yesterday, David Trahan, Executive Director of the [Sportsman's Alliance of Maine](#), was a guest on the [WVOM morning show](#) with Ric Tyler and George Hale to discuss [Question 3](#).

A former lawmaker who served 4 years in the Senate and 8 years in the House, Trahan spoke eloquently about how constitutional rights works relative to statute, making it clear that Right to Food is a win for the people of Maine. He also made news when he revealed the strange bedfellows behind the opposition. [Take a listen](#).

Trahan makes clear to listeners that the constitutionally prescribed police powers of the Legislature are not diminished by the enumeration of an unalienable right. If the Legislature finds that statutes must be amended in order to clarify the intent and purpose of the Right to Food amendment, then it has the power to act, whether or not anyone challenges in court a government or corporate action that appears to infringe on the right.

Trahan and the hosts also discuss a [previous appearance](#) on the program by Representative Billy Bob Faulkingham, the sponsor of the resolution to amend the Constitution that was approved by 75% of the entire Maine Legislature and now appears before the voters to ratify as Question 3.

The conversation on [October 4th](#) rebutted the extreme position taken by the animal welfare associations and the Maine Veterinary Medical Association against the referendum. Faulkingham explains that veterinarians are experts on animal welfare, but lawmakers are experts on the law. Faulkingham makes clear why their concerns about the passage of the Right to Food amendment are unfounded. The Legislature considered, debated, fully vetted and ultimately rejected their arguments with 75% of the vote.

Both appearances affirm the conclusions outlined in a [pair](#) of legal [analyses](#) by the Human Rights Clinic at the University of Miami School of Law.

When Mainers **Vote YES on 3**, the following clear and straightforward language that affirms our right to feed ourselves in self-determination and dignity will be included in the Constitution of Maine's Declaration of Rights, becoming the first state in the nation to enumerate a Right to Food:

Section 25. Right to food. All individuals have a natural, inherent and unalienable right to food, including the right to save and exchange seeds and the right to grow, raise, harvest, produce and consume the food of their own choosing for their own nourishment, sustenance, bodily health and well-being, as long as an individual does not commit trespassing, theft, poaching or other abuses of private property rights, public lands or natural resources in the harvesting, production or acquisition of food.

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Right to Food. Right for ME. Vote YES on Question 3.