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I recently learned that the only food imports into the USA that do not require a "country of origin" designation are pork and beef. These meats come into the USA and can be mixed with meats grown in this country, and the consumer will never know that what they are cooking and eating may have come from out of the country. As consumers, we want to know where our food is grown and processed. One way to ensure that we know more about the origins of our food is to support locally grown food and local food processing businesses. Allowing custom slaughterhouses to produce cuts of meat for commercial sale will improve Mainers' access to locally grown meat while creating more financial security for the slaughterhouse business.