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Speaking from forty years of EXPERIENCE as a member of the neopagan community: vegetarians aren't communists. They are religious zealots. Their commitment is "spiritual", and therefore, like Puritans of all varieties, nothing satisfies them like a *complete conversion*. In the meantime, they demand special privileges and "respect" for their "beliefs" like spoiled children. Because they genuinely *believe* that they are more Spiritually Advanced than anyone who so much as *touches* meat on occasion, they think that they *deserve* to have everyone else bend over backwards in deference to their food choices. They must have the first pick and the lion's share of all non-meat protein. They must have elaborate assurances as to a separation of vegetable and animal products in the kitchen as precise as cooking for the Kosher. They must be protected from the sight and smell of carnivores gleefully devouring the Forbidden. Because their ritual purity must be beyond question.

Modern vegetarianism isn't about health (although they'll say it is). It's about the Indian diaspora. Some 80% of Indians are vegetarian, and those who aren't are belabored from birth to believe themselves sinfully inadequate because of it. This is a cultural imposition by Outsiders, who came into our country, took high professional positions in medicine and academia, and have attempted to impose their cultural shibboleths on our society. LET Oregon pass this ditsy law. The resulting chaos, cost, and cascading economic failures should act like the Sri Lankan example of mandatory organic agriculture to deter further experiments.