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Prior to permitting raising chickens in residential neighborhoods please consider the health implications. Chickens, their feed and their excrement bring flies, mosquitoes and rats. West Nile Virus, Hanta Virus, Dengue Fever and other diseases are spread by contact with rats and mosquitoes. Some neighborhoods have homes on small lots and the lot with the chickens spreads the insects and rodents throughout the neighborhood. Yes, eggs are expensive but preventing the transmission of disease outweighs allowing chickens in residential neighborhoods. Please consider your decision carefully. Joan Estes

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