

**A-Engrossed**  
**House Bill 4158**

Ordered by the House February 15  
Including House Amendments dated February 15

Sponsored by Representative BENTZ; Representatives ESQUIVEL, GARRARD, HUFFMAN, JENSON, SCHAUFLE, G SMITH, SPRENGER, WHISNANT, WITT, Senators BOQUIST, FERRIOLI, JOHNSON, OLSEN, WHITSETT (at the request of Oregon Cattlemen's Association) (Pre-session filed.)

**SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

*[Allows killing of wolves to address depredation of livestock.]*

**Specifies that provisions of law relating to threatened or endangered wildlife species do not limit authority of State Fish and Wildlife Commission to adopt rules authorizing taking of wolves for purposes related to depredation of livestock.**

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

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2 Relating to wolves; and declaring an emergency.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. ORS 496.171 to 496.182 and 498.026 do not limit the authority of the State**  
5 **Fish and Wildlife Commission to adopt rules that authorize the take, as defined in ORS**  
6 **496.004, of wolves to address the chronic depredation of livestock, as defined in ORS 610.150,**  
7 **by wolves.**

8 **SECTION 2. This 2012 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
9 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2012 Act takes effect**  
10 **on its passage.**

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**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.