

## Proposed Amendments to HB 2537:

Prior to the beginning of the 2015 Legislative session the Legislative Concept for HB 2537 was vetted with a number of interested individuals and groups. The feedback from those conversations demonstrated that HB 2537 would be strengthened by the addition of the following FRIENDLY amendments:

- Add Greater Sage Grouse as a species for protection parallel to wild turkeys – which would incur a \$100 fine if illegally taken. Section 1, subsection 2(a)(N).
- Specifically call out penalties for taking Mule Deer for a \$5000.00 penalty. Section 1, subsection 2(a)(A)
- Add an additional and cumulative penalty for illegally taking a game mammal that has been fitted with a tracking collar by ODFW or USFW - \$5000.00.
- Illegal take of a game mammal clarified to include unlawful trapping.
- Illegal take of a pregnant female game mammal or illegal take of a female mother of a yearling or younger offspring will be subject to an additional civil fine and criminal penalty. Section 3, subsection 9. \$5000.00 and Class C Felony.
- Add a provision suspending the license of person who illegally takes a game animal upon the second conviction for violation of the statute. Section 3, subsection 9.
- Section 3 (11) Add (c) Not less  $\frac{1}{4}$  the max fine in ORS161.635(1)(a), if the offense involves taking a raptor and the person does not have a previous conviction for taking a raptor
- Additional penalties for illegal taking of state or federal listed protected species.