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The bill HB 3515 stopping wolves from ever being listed as endangered is a bad bill. Wolves have as much right to live here as we do.

To pass this bill, would cause an open season on wolves. The alphas would be killed, splintering packs and causing exactly what the ranchers want to avoid, increased wolf depredations. There are so many good ways to keep the wolves away from livestock including dogs, noise, humans, donkeys and even llamas.

And just imagine the outrage if OR-7, aka Journey and his family were to be killed. Washington shot a alpha female and a storm of phone calls, emails, etc resulted. And when Echo was killed, again outrage. I suspect the hunter who killed her would have had a very bad experience had they released his name.

So, aside from world wide hatred, killing the wolves will destroy the balance of nature. Idaho is an excellent example of that although they continue to slaughter wolves.

Then there is my opinion of this state. If this bill passes, I, personally will be ashamed to admit I live here. I have been very proud of Oregon's management of wolves. If this bill passes, I will be embarrassed to claim citizenship here.

Wolves are very sentient animals. They mate for life. They live in small packs where they support each other. They raise their young. They share one kill and do not take more than they can eat. If you kill the alpha wolves, the pack scatters and each wolf will take an animal. So with one pack-one kill, with a scattered pack-many kills.

With only 77 wolves, one would think this state could support them. If you pass this bill, chaos will result. And Oregon will deserve what it gets.

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