

Requested by HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
HOUSE BILL 4040**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, delete “creating new provisions;  
2 amending ORS 496.176;”.

3 After line 3, insert:

4 “Whereas *Canis lupus*, commonly known as the gray wolf, was extirpated  
5 from Oregon by 1950; and

6 “Whereas *Canis lupus* has been listed as a state-designated endangered  
7 species since the enactment of ORS 496.171 to 496.182 by the Legislative As-  
8 sembly in 1987; and

9 “Whereas a *Canis lupus* population has been reestablished in Oregon and  
10 has been increasing in both distribution and abundance since 2008; and

11 “Whereas *Canis lupus* is not now and is not likely in the foreseeable fu-  
12 ture to be in danger of extinction in Oregon; and

13 “Whereas *Canis lupus* has natural reproductive potential that is not in  
14 danger of failure due to limited population numbers, disease, predation or  
15 other natural or human actions affecting continued existence of the species;  
16 and

17 “Whereas *Canis lupus* is not undergoing imminent or active deterioration  
18 of range or primary habitat; and

19 “Whereas *Canis lupus* is not subject to overutilization of the species or  
20 its habitat for commercial, recreational, scientific or educational purposes;  
21 and

1 “Whereas Canis lupus has adequate protection under existing state pro-  
2 grams, laws and regulations, including the Oregon Wolf Conservation and  
3 Management Plan and associated rules adopted by the State Fish and  
4 Wildlife Commission; and

5 “Whereas the commission took administrative action on November 9,  
6 2015, to remove Canis lupus from the Oregon lists of threatened species or  
7 endangered species; and

8 “Whereas the commission developed extensive analyses and assessments  
9 that were made publicly available for review and comment through a series  
10 of public hearings; and

11 “Whereas the commission provided their analyses and assessments for  
12 review by experts in the field of wildlife management; and

13 “Whereas the commission has received and reviewed thousands of public  
14 comments on this matter, including many hours of public testimony; now,  
15 therefore,”.

16 Delete lines 5 through 29 and delete pages 2 and 3 and insert:

17 **“SECTION 1. The administrative rule amendment adopted by the  
18 State Fish and Wildlife Commission on November 9, 2015, to remove  
19 Canis lupus, commonly known as the gray wolf, from the state lists  
20 of threatened species or endangered species established pursuant to  
21 ORS 496.172 (2), is ratified as satisfying the elements of ORS 496.176  
22 and approved.**

23 **“SECTION 2. This 2016 Act being necessary for the immediate  
24 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is  
25 declared to exist, and this 2016 Act takes effect on its passage.”.**

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