

Senate Bill 723 is written in a way that impacts all sportsmen and women in the State of Oregon. It wrongly prohibits the taking of wildlife in a contest for enjoyment or entertainment.

This bill would prohibit ODF& W auctions. 2018 auctions and raffles for 26 special Oregon big game hunting tags grossed a record \$1,019,730 this year, breaking the previous record of \$882,787 set in 2017. Winners of these tags can hunt during an extended season and in an expanded hunt area.

A total of 145,105 raffle tickets were sold, grossing \$380,730 and breaking previous records for raffle sales.

It is only one word away from eliminating fishing derbies of all kinds by insertion of the word FISH.

It also impacts all sporting dog events that are held for competition. The inducements being the awarding of points, ribbons, prizes and trophies.

All of these events are of course for fun and entertainment that Oregon families have enjoyed as sportsmen for centuries.

Transporting game you have harvested to a rehabilitation center is counter to the purpose of hunting.

This Bill should not be revised or rewritten, it should be deleted.

Thank you for your consideration.

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