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Subject: Senate Bills 301, 303 and 398

Dear Senate Committee:

I would ask that the committee consider dropping all three of these proposed bills.

SB 301: Yes, landowners have issues with damage from elk. The control of the elk herd and the issuance of damage tags should be under the purview of the ODFW. They already have measures in place for these situations and know better than the legislature how to manage the overall health of an elk herd.

SB 303: Same comments as 301.

SB 398: Same comments but note that this is heading into more commercialization of Wild Game Hunting and definitely creates an unfair advantage to wealthier landowners and their potential clients.

In the end, more should be done to encourage better habitat away from valley landowner property (and many landowners would probably assist in creating habitat away from their farmland.) Reduction of major predators...i.e. cougars would be helpful. There were less predators when hunting was allowed with dogs.

Summary: please table or drop these bills before they advance thru the Committee.

Thank you,

Warren Tyler

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