Dear Chair and Members of the House Rules Committee:

Please support SB 723 and ban coyote-killing contests in Oregon. Please send this important Bill to the floor for a vote *without the proposed amendment by Greg Smith* (set forth below) that would create a huge loophole in the law and encourage youth to treat wildlife with contempt and as simply targets to be killed for fun.

SB 723-B12 (LC 1201) 6/7/19 (TSB/ps) Requested by Representative SMITH G PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO B-ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 723 After line 15 of the printed B-engrossed bill, insert: "(5) This section does not apply to coyote contests and raffles that a nonprofit organization conducts to promote hunting recreation and in which the organization limits participation to members of the organization.".

Thanks for supporting this Bill and the conservation and wildlife values of the majority of your fellow Oregonians.

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