To whom it may concern:

Please vote to support this bill to end coyote killing contests.

These brutal senseless killing contests have been banned in California, Vermont, New Mexico, Arizona, and Massachusetts and we want them stopped in Oregon. It's shameful that Oregon condones them.

As a former conservation officer and wildlife biologist, I know that coyote-killing contests serve no wildlife management function, they violate hunting ethics, they reinforce a general contempt for wildlife, and they are ecologically destructive. These contests also place even responsible, law-abiding hunters in a negative light. Thank you.

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