Dear members of the House Natural Resources Committee,

I am writing to you to ask you to support House bill 4075. This is a ban on the practice of contests to compete to kill most rapidly the most coyotes. As I'm sure you are aware that coyotes play an important role in the overall ecosystem and this unsportsmanship manner of killing does nothing to manage the species rationally or humanely and only serves to glorify bloodsport. Dedicated hunters who love the outdoors and strive to protect their rural resources would do well to read the following information published by the department of Oregon Fish and Wildlife (see link below)

https://r.search.yahoo.com/ ylt=AwrWmjYJvEFenQcADAwPxQt.; ylu=X3oDMTByb2lvbXVuB GNvbG8DZ3ExBHBvcwMxBHZ0aWQDBHNIYwNzcg--/RV=2/RE=1581395082/RO=10/RU=https%3a%2f%2fwww.dfw.state.or.us%2fwildlife%2fliving with%2fdocs%2fliving with coyotes.pdf/RK=2/RS=MuDOsXSKEfxvxa UbzoyWr7L1Ac-)

I would also encourage Mmembers of the House Committee to review information provided by a research group in Chicago that is studying urban coyotes:

How to Avoid Conflicts with Coyotes | Urban Coyote Research



I believe that there is a more rational and reasoned way to cope with wildlife problems than to allow sponsered killing contests. Thank you.

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