

To the Committee:

I'm concerned that HB 4075 is based on emotions and not common sense. Coyotes are not endangered. In fact, they are well adapted to urban conditions and are over-populated. They have dug under a fence to kill ALL twelve of my chickens last summer, and are so unintimidated that they stand in my field and watch me as I drive my tractor.

A few years ago a pack of coyotes chased a bicyclist down Stafford Road in Tualatin. My dog is too outnumbered to chase them away anymore during the night. Why would anyone prohibit a coyote hunting contest or demand that coyote carcasses be turned over to the ODFW, when it doesn't even regulate killing them?

This is just another example of government overreach. I strongly urge you to spend more time dealing with significant issues instead of micro-managing the control of a pest animal.

Sincerely,
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