

House Bill 2728

Sponsored by Representative WITT (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Prohibits person from conducting or participating in contest, competition, tournament or derby that has objective of taking coyotes for cash or prizes. Provides that prohibition does not apply to raffle conducted by nonprofit organization if organization does not award raffle prizes based on number, weight or size of coyotes taken. Punishes violation of prohibition by maximum fine of \$2,000. Provides that person violating Act forfeits remains of coyote to State Department of Fish and Wildlife.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to wildlife.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2021 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 498.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, "person" means an individual, partnership, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, corporation, professional corporation, nonprofit corporation, cooperative, limited liability company, business trust, joint venture, incorporated or unincorporated association or other business organization or entity.**

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9 **(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person may not conduct or participate in a contest, competition, tournament or derby in this state that has the objective of taking coyotes for cash or prizes.**

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12 **(3) A violation of subsection (2) of this section is a Class A violation.**

13 **(4) A person that injures or kills a coyote in violation of this section, or receives the remains of a coyote in violation of this section, shall forfeit the remains of the coyote to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife. The remains shall become the property of the department.**

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17 **(5) This section does not apply to a raffle conducted by a nonprofit organization if the nonprofit organization does not award the raffle prizes based on the number, weight or size of coyotes taken.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.