

Dear Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources: Thank you for your heroic work on so many important bills this session! The science is clear that beavers do a great deal of good for the environment in terms of preventing wildfires by creating natural firebreaks, increased wetlands for storing surface and groundwaters, capture carbon and remove it from atmosphere, improves the quality of drinking water and temperatures in streams, and increasing salmon that is imperiled by creating habitat. No one will be denied from killing problem beavers on their land. This bill will allow wildlife experts to help manage beaver problems and thus reduce the problem in non-lethal, if at all possible, ways. We embrace beavers by naming sports teams after them yet we do not see clearly how they benefit us and our beautiful state. Let's truly become beaver fans and do the right thing. Thank you!!