

I write in support of HB 2844, because I believe the "predatory animal" tag should be removed from the Oregon Beaver, our state animal. HB 2844 would put beaver management on an equitable plane with management of other wildlife, rather than leaving them subject to entirely random hunting, harrassment, and killing. HB 2844 will allow Oregon's wildlife experts at ODFW to determine the best way to deal with any problem beaver, retaining a full set of management tools for the state and private landowners.