

I am writing in support of HB 2728 because coyotes are an important part of our ecological systems. Plenty are killed through other means--e.g., permissible hunts--but having contests to kill as many as possible to win prizes and satisfy one's testosterone is inhumane and abhorrent. There are plenty of rodents around for the coyotes to eat and by their consuming the natural prey, farmers and ranchers don't need to use toxic chemicals--more damage to the environment--to rid their fields of the rodents. These contests to just go out and kill kill kill are very inhumane and not worthy of Oregonians.