Coyote Killing Contests are a cruel endeavor that have no place in the 21st Century. Science has shown that killing coyotes does not permanently reduce populations. The contests are pointless. They should not be encouraged, supported or endorsed. These contests encourage disrespect for all animals. They perpetuate our past history of killing animals indiscriminately, a practice that caused extinction or near extinction of many of our native wildlife species.

Only an extremely small population of Oregonians participate in this barbaric practice. Oregon is better than this. The killing contest are a red stain on our state. They are a bloody practice that should be no part of the great State of Oregon.

Thank you for your consideration and support of this bill.

Sincerely, Steven Dyer