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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Environment and Natural Resources

Measure: HB4080

PLEASE VOTE AGAINST HB 4080. It makes no sense for the Oregon legislature to pass a bill to “cart blanch” kill wildlife on Oregon “predator control districts” requested by landowners with no attempts to use non-lethal methods or to truly determine that it was a predator or to prove that damage was done. In past centuries people in the United States wiped our wolves, coyotes and other predators because of killing – for sport, for money. This will happen again if this legislation passes. I believe my legislators should understand that killing predators and other wildlife throws nature out of balance and creates more issues than it solves. I do not want my tax money used for this kind of cruel killing – and the additional bird deaths that can occur with the use of poisons. Who is next on the “killing list” – people that legislators in Oregon decide are a problem? Oregon is not the wild west like Idaho and Montana – we are (or I thought we were) a civilized society. These kind of “predator control districts” could also lead to more hunters wanting to kill predators for sport and bragging rights. Where does it all stop? PLEASE VOTE AGAINST THIS LEGISLATION find a better way/make a better choice.