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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Environment and Natural Resources

Measure: HB4080

Hi I am writing today to strongly oppose HB 4080.

I feel this bill strongly encourages unnecessary killing and brutality against our wildlife.

Our wildlife is vital to a healthy ecosystem. We can utilize other humane tactics that have been proven successful to control predator problems when needed. We need only to look further into the research already out there and start implementing those ideas here. Killing is not the answer.

Oregon is wild and beautiful and why many of us visit and live in this state. We won't have much to offer or keep us here if Wildlife Services continues killing 201,606 wild animals a year - like they did in 2020.

We are more evolved in our awareness of the world around us and the relationships wildlife has to our environment. We now realize how precious our wildlife is and that we should be celebrating each animal life - not killing them.

Thank you for your time, open mind and generous heart.