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Wildlife Services is a secretive rogue agency that kills thousands, if not millions, of animals every year with no oversight. Many jurisdictions have backed away from using their services. Setting up funding so that they can more readily kill Oregon's wildlife (i.e., wolves, bears, bobcats, foxes, cougars, beavers, coyotes, etc.) deemed a threat to private property, carte blanche, without having to use or consider non-lethal methods, is reckless.

Here is a link to a reputable organization with experience in this:

https://www.biologicaldiversity.org/campaigns/wildlife_services/index.html

Please don't support this bill. Nonlethal methods can resolve many human-wildlife conflicts. Wildlife Services cannot be trusted to take that approach. All of us who care about Oregon's wildlife, as well as its farmers and ranchers, deserve better methods.