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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Environment and Natural Resources

Measure: HB4080

Dear Committee Members:

Please Oppose the permanent state fund for Wildlife Services killing districts. It would give carte blanche killing for all wildlife. Their motto, if it walks kill it. No consideration is given to alternative remedial solutions; it's always let's poison, trap, snare, use aerial gunning, paid hunters with dogs; many of them gruesome deaths, anything to kill. The aggrieved parties are not required to take any responsibility for acts that might prevent or reduce their losses. Last year 201,606 animals were killed by Wildlife Services; bears, mt. lions, beavers, bob cats, coyotes, etc.

Then we wonder why it seems everyone's first solution to anything is shoot. Killing animals, without taking responsibility for trying to prevent a loss first only makes someone less responsible for all their actions; and having a fund rewarding them for their irresponsible behavior only contributes to it.

Sincerely,

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