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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources

Measure: SB199

As a livestock and timber producer, I oppose SB 199 which authorizes the State Fish and Wildlife Commission to establish by rule requirements or prohibitions concerning angling, taking, hunting, trapping or possessing of predatory animals. Over the last two years, I have watched many of the Commission meetings. In my opinion, the current Commission has their own agenda and does not listen to ODFW wildlife specialist. They have no clue as to the actual damage predatory animals do to livestock, crops, and infra-structure, the economic impact on individual businesses or to the communities, nor do I believe they actually care. This authority should not be given to the Commission and any changes concerning regulation of predatory animals should only come through the legislative process. OPPOSE SB 199!!

Thank you for the opportunity to express my concerns with this bill.