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This bill prohibits at a high level the sale in a broad way of animal products. This would affect the sale of deer and elk hides, as well as all furbearers and predators in the state of Oregon. It is not apparent to me that it would not prohibit the sale of fly fishing materials, deer hide gloves etc. Garments that are trimmed with fur would also be banned.

On a broader level this would decrease the amount of volunteer predator control in the rural areas that are proximal to urban and semi urban environments. This will have a negative impact on our pets and domesticated animals in those areas. It also will greatly affect in a negative manner the sheep farming and related industries.

I understand there are viewpoints contrary to my own regarding the proper utilization of animals as a resource, however, this proposal goes too far and overreaches. I also feel that there need to be a more scientific approach to the proposal. It is a loophole to attempt to terminate and harvest of furbearers in Oregon. It will also cost thousands of dollars as the ODFW will be required to pay employees and venders to remove animals that would have been controlled by the trappers and hunters. There is certainly an economic issue here as well as moral opinions regarding the sale and harvest of fur products.

It is a veiled attempt to ban all trapping and predator control in Oregon. In effect what it will accomplish is animal trapping by our own government at a much higher cost to the taxpayer than if individuals accomplished the very same task. This will become necessary as coyotes, beaver, etc. destroy property.

Thank you.