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One form of the obtaining fur is trapping. Trapping is dangerous and indiscriminate. Who or what will a trap catch next - a child, a pet, and animal that is endangered? And all for the vanity of man. Animals are sentient beings. We continue to encroach on their land and kill them for a multitude of poor reasons - for their fur being one of the worst. Synthetic fibers are less expensive, better insulating, and no one gets skinned.

Then another horrible method is factory farming. The humane society notes: "The majority of fur products come from factory farms, where undomesticated animals are locked in small, filthy cages and denied the ability to swim, burrow or do anything that may come natural to them. These animals are then killed in cruel ways, such as gassing or anal electrocution."

The Fur Free Alliance notes: "The production of fur imposes significant adverse impacts on both the environment and human health. Far from being a natural resource, fur production is an intensely toxic and energy-consumptive process, with pelts being dipped in toxic chemical soups and animal waste runoff from fur factory farms polluting soil and waterways."

Come on - Oregon is better than this. We support initiatives to end cruelty to animals - but why are these types of torture allowed? Let's lead the way in ending the sale or trade of fur products in Oregon. Lets be the stewards of the land that we are meant to be.