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On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Judiciary

Measure: HB3390

Prohibiting the sale of animal fur has unintended consequences for the fly fishing communities which rely on animal fur for fly tying and the acquisition of flies for the purposes of fly fishing. I believe this house measure was created with the right animal rights protections in mind, however there are ancillary implications to a major recreational activity the way the bill is currently written.

It's worth noting that one of the worlds largest manufacturers and distributors of fly tying materials is Hareline, headquartered in Monroe, OR.

"Hareline was founded in 1981. It has grown from the kitchen stove top with 12 colors of Hareline to a 18,000 square foot facility with thousands of fly tying products ready to deliver. We do our best to give our dealers the best quality products and quickest delivery in the industry. Hareline has been delivering fly tying materials throughout the world since 1981."

https://www.hareline.com/about

My request is to adjust legislation to allow for fair practice fur trade for the purposes of fly fishing. If this is not possible, I request time for additional input from impacted communities, more clear guidance on how the fly fishing community would operate under such measures, and analysis on the economic impact of this measure should it pass as currently written.