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Measure: HB3390

The proposed HB3390 seeks to criminalize fur sales and trade in Oregon, making it a Class A misdemeanor. This goes beyond previous attempts to shut down the fur industry. The bill's exceptions for leather, cowhide, lambskin, deerskin, taxidermy, and tribal fur products show that it is not genuinely about animal welfare but rather a targeted attack on trapping.

The bill's language is elitist and morality-based, using terms like "cruel" and "humane" without proper context or definition. Communities relying on natural products will be marginalized, and Oregonians will face restrictions on purchasing fur products. Industries like fly fishing and hunting will be heavily impacted without any financial study on the bill's effects. Oppose HB3390 to protect Oregon's economy and heritage.