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On Behalf Of: The People
Committee: House Committee On Judiciary
Measure: HB3390

I do not support HB 3390. Oregon would not be here today if it were not for the fur trade. The mountain men and trappers are those that paved the way for the people coming west. The fur trade is a part of American history and is a tradition that should be allowed to continue. My grandpa was a fur buyer and seller and made a living off of fur. It is a right and a duty of all hunters and trappers to use as much of the animal harvested as possible including the fur. If it can not be sold or traded it will go to waste. If you pass this bill you will see less hunters and trappers which will lead to an over increase in fur bearing animals. This will cause overpopulation and disease, more human and furbearer incidents, more roadkills and property damage. Hunters and trappers are the best conservationist there are. They seek and desire to maintain a steady population of animals so that they can continue to hunt a trap. They do not want to overkill or destroy a population because they want to be able to continue to pass this tradition on from generation to generation. To end the fur trade would be ending something that played a major role in American History. Please think about these things. Thank you.