

Submitter: Anne Krahmer-Steinkamp

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources

Measure: HB3464

Dear Senate Committees,

My name is Anne Krahmer-Steinkamp, I am a 6th generation farmer here in Oregon, along with my father, brother and husband. We raise blueberries throughout the Willamette Valley. Some of our farms are along the river and or have a pond located on them. We have to do some trapping every year to help manage the Beaver and Nutria populations. These rodents with come in and mow down our blueberry plants. It takes 5-7 years to get a blueberry plant into full production, which makes us work hard to protect our blueberry plants from these rodents.

Beaver and Nutria are very much the same problem. When trapping for these rodents, we are unable to make sure that a beaver doesn't go into the trap that was set for a Nutria.

I have no way to differentiate the damage between these two rodents in our fields.

I oppose this bill because I need to be able to protect our fields from these rodents!!

Thank you,

Anne Krahmer-Steinkamp