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For starters, any forced direction of a Fish and Game agency is an overstep and a dangerous way to manage wildlife. Prohibiting a person from taking a beaver on public land is a short sighted and slapstick approach to wildlife management. Beaver cause issues for many different industries. Restricting the ability for the public to assist in this biology based management will only lead to increased costs to Oregon taxpayers. Not to mention harvesting beaver is the very reason people came out west. Denying the public the ability to participate in historical activities such as beaver trapping is attacking the personal heritage of many Oregon residents. This bill would negatively affect many industries and in my opinion would be a net negative for the species as a whole.