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Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3932

Historically, Oregon's state animal, the beaver, had been classified as a "predator", allowing private landowners to kill them at will. What we now know is that beavers are keystone species and act as ecological engineers. These magnificent creatures deserve all the legal protections, including the passage of HB 3932 which would prohibit a person from taking a beaver on waters or watersheds classified in a certain manner or on public land within specific watersheds. I urge you to support and pass this critically important piece of legislation. Thank you.