## 76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2012 Regular Session **STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY** House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

FISCAL: No fiscal impact	
Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	6 - 0 - 2
Yeas:	Boone, Jenson, Schaufler, Sprenger, Clem, Esquivel
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Cowan, Johnson
Prepared By:	Beth Herzog, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	2/9, 2/14

## **REVENUE:** No revenue impact

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Clarifies that authority of State Fish and Wildlife Commission to adopt rules authorizing taking of wolf to address chronic depredation of livestock is not limited by statute on threatened or endangered species (ORS 496.171 to 496.182), or statute prohibiting transactions in threatened or endangered wildlife species (ORS 498.026). Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Does not expand Wolf Conservation and Management Plan •
- Examples of depredation •

## EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces measure.

BACKGROUND: In 2005, the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission adopted a Wolf Conservation and Management Plan to "ensure the conservation of gray wolves as required by Oregon law while protecting the social and economic interests of all Oregonians." The plan includes provisions for monitoring and managing populations, developing education and communication programs, and responding to wolf interactions with wildlife, humans, and livestock.