

Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee,

I am an Oregon resident and am writing to you today to urge you to support Senate Bill 723-2 to ban coyote killing contests in our state. These contests are contrary to modern, scientific approaches to wildlife management and have been conclusively shown to increase breeding and the frequency of attacks on livestock. They have no legitimate purpose, and are a bloodsport contrary to Oregon values of animal welfare. Vermont, Maryland, and California have already banned these cruel killing contests, and New Mexico has a similar bill which just passed their House. Please join these states and ban coyote killing contests by voting yes on SB 723-2.

Sincerely,  
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