

Dear Chair Burdick and Members of the Senate Rules Committee:

Since SB 723 will be before the Rules Committee Monday, I am urging again that you please support this important Bill. Coyote-killing contests have no place in Oregon. These hunts, using every technological advantage by teams of killers, are about as unsporting as can be. They do not significantly reduce coyote numbers, but are simply an opportunity to kill for pleasure and a prize. They express deep contempt for wildlife and, more importantly in my opinion, an even deeper contempt for Oregonians with conservation values. They are meant to offend. SB723 has wide bi-partisan support and cleared the Judicial Committee with a "do pass" recommendation.

Please do not let down your fellow Oregonians and colleagues.

Please send this Bill to the floor for a vote.

Thank you,

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