

**A-Engrossed**  
**Senate Bill 723**

Ordered by the Senate April 26  
Including Senate Amendments dated April 26

Sponsored by Senators DEMBROW, GOLDEN; Representatives KENY-GUYER, NERON, NOSSE

**SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Prohibits person from [*organizing, sponsoring, promoting,*] conducting or participating in contest, competition, tournament or derby that has objective of taking [*wildlife*] **coyotes** for prizes or other inducement [*or for entertainment*]. Punishes violation of prohibition by [*imprisonment for not more than 364 days and fine of not more than \$6,250*] **maximum fine of \$2,000**. [*Requires transportation of injured wildlife to licensed wildlife rehabilitation facility or veterinarian.*] Provides that person that injures or kills [*wildlife*] **coyote** in violation of Act forfeits remains of [*wildlife*] **coyote** to State Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

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2 Relating to unlawful takings of wildlife; and declaring an emergency.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2019 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 498.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, "person" means an individual, partnership, lim-**  
6 **ited partnership, limited liability partnership, corporation, professional corporation,**  
7 **nonprofit corporation, cooperative, limited liability company, business trust, joint venture,**  
8 **incorporated or unincorporated association or other business organization or entity.**

9 **(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person may not conduct or participate**  
10 **in a contest, competition, tournament or derby in this state that has the objective of taking**  
11 **coyotes for prizes or other inducement.**

12 **(3) A violation of subsection (2) of this section is a Class A violation.**

13 **(4) A person that injures or kills a coyote in violation of subsection (2) of this section**  
14 **shall forfeit the remains of the coyote to the State Department of Fish and Wildlife and the**  
15 **remains become the property of the department.**

16 **SECTION 3. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
17 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect**  
18 **on its passage.**

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**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.