

I am writing to express my strong support of HB 4075, which would ban coyote killing contests in Oregon. These contests are cruel, barbaric, and a completely ineffectual way to promote responsible wildlife management. They violate Oregon's image as an enlightened, conservation-centered culture, instead promoting a disregard for wildlife and humane treatment of animals. While not a hunter myself, I realize that I share my state with many hunters who truly value good sportsmanship - but these contests using hi-tech devices to lure coyotes to easy slaughter have no place in civilized society.

New Mexico, Arizona, Massachusetts, California, and Vermont have already outlawed these gruesome contests. Oregon must join them - please help!

Sincerely,

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