

Oregon ranks close to the top among the states for protections it affords to companion animals, but unfortunately we haven't done as well by our wildlife. The fact that coyote-killing contests are still being held here in Oregon is shocking, especially since they've already been banned as cruel and unsportsmanlike by a number of other western states including Washington, California, Arizona, and New Mexico. There is simply no way to justify -- morally or ecologically -- the slaughter of coyotes or other sentient beings for the entertainment of a few. Let's make 2021 the year that HB 2728 is finally signed into law.