

I urge the Committee to support HB 2728 to prohibit coyote-killing contests in Oregon.

HB 2728 is a common sense, science- and ethics-based bill that reflects the will of a strong majority of Oregonians, who support a ban on these contests.

Coyote-killing contests, which benefit only a tiny number of people, are grossly out of step with modern, science-based wildlife management, and Oregon's ethical and conservation-centered values.

The sole purpose of these events is to kill as many coyotes as possible for cash and prizes.

We should be treasuring and protecting our wildlife, not indiscriminately killing them for fun and profit.

Washington State, Colorado, and five other states have prohibited killing contests, and it's time for Oregon to do the same.

Please support HB 2728.

Thank you!