

To the Members of the Senate Committee,

I'm testifying in support of SB 832. Mink breeding, confinement and slaughter is unnatural and cruel. It relegates wild animals to tiny cages only to be slaughtered for their fur. Most thoughtful people agree fur garments are archaic, unnecessary and a total waste of animal life. Mink held in close confinement are susceptible to zoonotic diseases like Covid-19, which could be spread to people and other animals.

Confined animal processing operations for mink are not only cruel and unnecessary, but they have multiple negative environmental impacts. Society is moving on from fur garments and so should we, for the good of animals, people and the environment.

Thank you,
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