

To: House Committee on Ag and Natural Resources

From: Aileen Kaye, Oregon Citizen, Horse Owner

Date: February 8, 2021

Re: "Yes" on HB 2728 Prohibits Coyote Killing Contests

Dear Chair Witt and members of the Committee,

Thank you for hearing HB 2728. I urge you to vote "yes" on this bill which prohibits coyote killing contests.

This bill does not prohibit the killing of coyotes, but it does end the barbaric coyote killing contests which simply teaches the wrong lessons to our young people.

Better ways to keep coyotes away from livestock:

Use dogs, llamas and donkeys and keep them in the pasture with the sheep. The coyotes shy away from herds with any of these animals included.

Please vote "Yes" on HB 2728; stop the blood sport. Protect livestock by outwitting them rather than engaging in mass slaughter.

Thank you for your consideration.