

I am in full support of HB 3167 A. For many years Coos County Government struggled to find funds to support the predator damage control district. The ranchers and timber owners saw a need to fund the predator damage control district because of dwindling county resources and their large economic losses. As an example, bears are killing Douglas Fir trees, by the thousands, in Coos County, by eating the cambium layer of the tree. The economic loss of the fir trees is in the millions of dollars. The animal damage people also have numerous calls for problem skunks, rats, raccoons and many other problem animals. Please consider supporting HB 3167 A, which is self funded by the land owners.