

Coyotes are a nuisance and a problem in my community and in this state.

Pets and farm animals are regularly killed or harmed by coyotes. In fact, using a trail camera that I had set out to take pictures of deer, I recently got a picture of coyote with my grandmothers cat in its mouth.

It is not the role of this legislative body to determine how citizens are able to manage that problem, and doing so will likely lead to unintended consequences. As long as participants of these contests are following the laws and regulations set by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, they should be allowed to continue as they please.

As a life long citizen and voter in the great State of Oregon, I would like to see this committee spending less time on bills that seek to limit the freedoms of it's constituents, and more time solving Oregon's real problems, like forest-management.

Thank you for your time.