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Oregonians have long had a strong interest in sourcing our own foods, including wild and foraged foods. Our state is perfect for accommodating all Oregonians when it comes to being able to use the resources provided by the land.

Self-reliant sourcing of wild foods is an integral part of Oregon's heritage.

Current initiatives are seeking to prohibit Oregonian's ability to provide for their family in the manner they choose, seeking to strip away the self-sufficiency Oregonians have to source their food in a natural and healthy manner.

Over the last three years, the nation has weathered food shortages driven by both the pandemic and natural disasters. Currently, we have only to look at the rising price of eggs to underscore the tenuousness of the national food network. Protecting Oregonians' ability to provide healthy, natural food sources for our families decreases our dependency on a food network that is both reactionary to inflation and subject to global shortages.

23 states have passed a constitutional protection for the right to fish and hunt.

Rules and regulations that ban Oregonians from enjoying the resources provided by our beautiful state is not right.