

Submitter: Kent Brown
On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Judiciary
Measure: HB3390

I strongly oppose HB 3390. Trapping is a way of life for many, myself included. Fur is used for so many things from fly tying, cowboy hats, brushes, and so much more. Alaskan troopers are even issued beaver fur hats for duty. The fur trade is documented back over 400 years. Russian immigrants moved there clean back in the early 1800's and many still live in Oregon generations later. Did u know Russian is the 3rd most spoke language in Oregon? It's our heritage and 1 of the main reasons we moved west so many years ago. Something we have passed down from generation to generation. Trapping is a sound way to keep predators and other nuisance animals under control while creating revenue for both trappers and the state. Money spent while trapping and made from the sale of fur turns into revenue spent in the state. It also saves the state the expense of having government trappers do it themselves. It makes for a healthier big game population and it's a sustainable resource. I strongly urge you to oppose this bill. Thank you.