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On Behalf Of:  
Committee: House Committee On Judiciary  
Measure: HB3390

Hello,

I am writing in opposition to HB3390. This bill would limit the sale of fur in the state as noted in the bill. This is a case of government over-reach attempting to codify the morality of using fur as clothing, jewelry, etc. This is done under the guise of prevention of cruelty but excludes cows, deer, taxidermy, etc. One wonders if the authors felt that cows and sheep are less deserving of protection than "cute" animals like mink, otter, seal, wolf and rabbit. While I would argue that the two groups are equally sentient, they both have and are currently used throughout the world to keep people warm and fashionably dressed. Furthermore, I'm concerned that the import of products for other fur uses (not specifically carved out in this bill) e.g. the tying of fishing flies would then be based on the importation of an illegal product.

Thank you for your consideration,

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