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This bill attempts to nullify a ban twice imposed already by voters in Oregon. To allow the statewide ban to be overridden by individual counties contradicts the previously expressed will of Oregonians and unduly threatens the existence of wolves. Wolves are a keystone species that helps maintain balance by regulating prey populations, which in turn impacts vegetation and other animal species across the entire food web; their presence can significantly influence the health of an ecosystem. It is a cruel and unfair way of hunting.