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On Behalf Of:
Committee: Senate Committee On Natural Resources and
Wildfire
Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB777

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As an Oregonian, I am against SB 777.

More compensation will not save wolves. Conflicts between farm animals and wolves are already rare, and even with compensation multipliers, wolves will continue to be killed in response to such conflicts.

Compensation multipliers (paying well over market value) discourage the use of non-lethal conflict mitigation practices when resources should be focused on helping ranchers implement lasting, non-lethal solutions.

The seven-times compensation multiplier could rapidly drain the funds and lead to less support for ranchers trying to implement proven, non-lethal coexistence tools. This would harm ranchers and wolves in the long run.