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

Regarding SB 777:

I am submitting testimony opposing SB 777. I hope you will consider my testimony before you vote on this bill. SB 777 should be denied because:

- The seven-times compensation multiplier proposed in the bill could rapidly drain the available 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.
- These compensation multipliers (paying well over market value) discourage the use of non-lethal conflict mitigation practices when resources should be focused on helping ranchers to implement lasting, non-lethal solutions.
- 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.

I hope you will vote to deny SB 777.

Kind regards,