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SB 777's proposed loosening of standards for proof is an invitation to exaggerated or false claims. This would divert critical wildlife funds away from real conservation efforts. The bill ignores non-lethal solutions like the proven coexistence strategies of range riders, fencing, and deterrents.

SB 777 would further vilify wolves, which are in reality only a tiny fraction of livestock losses compared to other factors like disease, weather, and other predators. The bill fuels the false narrative that wolves are the primary threat to ranching.

Oregon should be investing in science-based solutions and not rewarding those who refuse to adapt.

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