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I'm in support SB 777. I'm a small Cow/Calf operation and I actively support and help to educate the general public on the benefits and challenges of the cattle industry.

To address the opposition that feel 7x multiplier is excessive; The financial loss to ranchers needs to be explained that it reaches much farther than each single animal. They need to receive compensation for the loss of the potential calves that are also lost.

To address the opposition claims that compensation for animal loss would lead to encouraging rancher to be "sloppy or neglect their animals". This and these types of statements show the lack of understanding and the misconceptions rancher face. Those who are quick to point fingers without comprehension of the reality that ranchers' hands are tied, and they are unable to protect their livestock and livelihood in regard to these predators.