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On Behalf Of:  
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Resources, and Water  
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB2403

I strongly oppose HV 2403. It would allow special government districts to raise money for killing wildlife only because the animals MIGHT damage private property. House Bill 2403 would not require recipients of the money to use or even consider using alternatives that don't require killing the animals. In addition, the money raised would go to the federal "Wildlife Services" program, which is known for cruel and unnecessary killing of wildlife as its preferred method of dealing with human-wildlife conflicts. This program has been a disaster for wildlife for many years and should be done away with altogether. Rather than supporting this inhumane program, Oregon should focus instead on finding peaceful ways to co-exist with wildlife."