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## SB 777

House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, Water

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on SB 777

5th Amendment of The Constitution ends with: nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use without just compensation.

I grew up on large ranches in Nevada, California and Oregon, cattle were our way of life, I now live in Lake County out of Fort Rock, I have never in my life witnessed the destruction of livestock and wildlife like I am witnessing in Lake County. The wolves, no matter what they say about numbers, are completely out of control. When you can video 2 wolves within 50 yards of your living room window in 1 week, attacking wildlife, livestock, pets, and who knows when it will turn to humans. I see attacks happening, and aggressive behavior towards humans. We are playing with fire here.

The cost that we are paying to protect these predators that are ruining our Rural Oregon is out of control as well. On top of our Taxes going to pay to protect the thing that is ruining our livelihood, we are not compensated for our loss from the same issue. Our voices are not being heard, this is just not right. On top of what no one else sees is the stress on the livestock and wildlife, they will abort often due to the stress on them, this isn't even considered when compensation is issued.

I ask you to vote in favor of Just Compensation for Rural Oregonians suffering from the absurd infiltration of wolves to Rural Oregon.

Thank you, Candy Yow