

Dear Committee Clerk Molly Wingrove,

I urge the Committee to please vote NO on SCR7.

We don't need to manage wolves by lethal and cruel methods. Wolves are statistically not a threat to human beings. In fact, domestic dogs attacking humans can be a real problem, yet we are not on a crusade, thankfully, to kill domestic dogs.

Wolves are natural predators that can help create a healthy balance of the predator and prey population, free from any human interference or management- like when they hunt deer, rabbits, or any kind of wildlife. It is important that we also understand that wolves are sentient and intelligent animals and that we should then not consider them a mere species or a nuisance to so-called animal farmers or whoever else.

Animal farmers should have a responsibility to protect their own domestic livestock with out resulting in harming wildlife that are native and intrinsically entitled to living wild and free. There are many innovative, humane, and effective ways farmers can protect their domestic animals with out seeking any lethal or cruel measures that kill this native species, the wolf. And, again, wolves are not statisitcally a threat to humans at all.

Wolves are not even considered fit for human consumption so what would make matters worse is that many hunters, if this bill passes, would hunt wolves for strictly sport- or for the fun of killing what many other people view as beautiful, sentient, and intelligent creatures that are also very closely related to our beloved dog, Lassie. This is morally troubling.

We need not be convoluted in our actions when it comes to managing wildlife. We have the ability and the ingenuity to make thoughtful and empathic decisions on behalf of these magnificent creatures we call wolves. Please say NO to SCR7.

Thank you for your time.

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