Timothy Farrar West Paris LD 716 Dear IfW committee members

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I am writing to express my opposition to LD 716 and any and all similar attempts to restrict coyote hunting in Maine. I have trapped and hunted coyotes since 1970 in western Maine as well as many areas all the way to Allagash , The County and Grand Lake Stream . During this more than 50 years the coyote population in our state has expanded to every habitat. They have and are thriving in spite of no closed season . Those that will push for this bills enactment do not allow hunting coyotes on their land any time of year

Do not be swayed by testimony that will try to claim hounds are slaughtering females with litters on a regular basis during their proposed six month closure. That simply is not true and I have decades of experience to back that up.

Thank You for your Time