

## support Council File 18-0538, to restrict the fur industry

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I live in the city of Los Angeles. I am registered to vote in City Council Member Herb Wesson's district.

I support Council File 18-0538. This proposed law would ban the manufacture or sale of products which are made with animal fur, such as fur coats.

The fur industry treats animals in a cruel manner. Animals are frequently electrocuted anally and genitally in an agonizing slaughter method, in order to limit damage to their fur. Other animals are skinned alive, and some are beaten.

Eighty-five per cent of fur comes from animals on factory fur farms whom are crammed into severly crowded, filthy wire cages. Fur also comes from animals whom have been trapped in steel jaw traps which snap onto their leg, often breaking it. Some animals even chew off their leg, trying to escape from the trap.

The fur industry is harmful towards the environment. After an animal has been skinned, the animal's skin is treated with toxic chemicals to keep it from rotting and decomposing, when the skin is part of a fur coat. These chemicals make the fur industry one of the world's five worst industries for toxic-metal pollution, according to the World Bank. Fur-bearing animals on fur farms produce millions of pounds of feces, which pollute nearby steams and rivers.

Thank you for your help in curtailing the fur industry.

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