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34 Legislative Council Bill #11

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STUDENT UNION

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A BILL

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BILL HISTORY

Several corporations which promote the sale of fur have been operating in the University Memorial Center for the last few years. The UCSU should not be engaging in business with these corporations. The killing of animals solely for a luxury product is cruel and inhumane. Every year in the United States, up to 30 million animals are trapped for their skins, most of them dying in the jaws of the leghold trap, a barbaric device already banned in more than 60 countries. Another 5 million animals are raised annually for their fur on unregulated "ranches" in the United States. These animals undergo excessive suffering and then inhumane killing, by methods such as electrocution, drowning, or shoving a hot metal rod up their anus, so their fur isn't damaged.

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BILL SUMMARY

This bill would make it illegal for companies which sell fur or promote the sale of fur to sell goods or services in the University Memorial Center. This would be added as a stipulation on the vendor's sale contracts.

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BE IT ENACTED by the Legislative Council of the University of Colorado Student Union, THAT:

SECTION 1:           We do not want our student owned buildings to be "selling grounds" for companies which sell fur or promote the sale of fur. We do not wish to limit freedom of expression, and will continue to welcome any group who wishes to distribute information on any side of any issue, but we do reserve the right to choose with whom we engage in business.

SECTION 2:           Companies, or their agents, which sell or promote the sale of fur shall not be permitted to sell goods or services in the University Memorial Center.

SECTION 3:       The following shall be added as policy #17 on all future vendor's sales contracts: "Companies, or their agents, which sell fur or promote the sale of fur, are not permitted to sell goods or services in the UMC."

SECTION 4:       In the event that a company, or their agent, selling goods or services in the University Memorial Center, is found to sell fur to promote the sale of fur, the vendor's sales contract shall be immediately nullified.

SECTION 5:       This bill takes effect upon passage.

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