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I had a dog who was poisoned by rat poison, and it was a TERRIBLE thing to witness. I strongly oppose expanding exemptions for anticoagulant rodenticides. These poisons continue to kill non-target wildlife — including mountain lions, bobcats, owls, and endangered San Joaquin kit foxes — through slow, painful secondary poisoning.

Allowing broader use or longer application periods would reverse hard-won progress in protecting California's wildlife and ecosystems.

California doesn't need these outdated, inhumane poisons. Effective, non-toxic pest control methods — such as sealing entry points, removing attractants, and using snap or electric traps — are safer and cost-effective.

DPR already has authority to allow limited use in true emergencies, ensuring public health can be protected responsibly.

Thank you for prioritizing wildlife and public safety.