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I am writing to express my strong support for SB 769. As a state with an abundant population of cougars, it is vital that we maintain a balanced ecosystem while ensuring the safety of our communities, wildlife, and livestock. The use of dogs in hunting cougars is a time-tested, effective method that has been used successfully in other states, and it should be considered as a practical tool for wildlife management in the state of Oregon. Furthermore, allowing the counties to decide provides each community the opportunity to choose what is best for their region. Oregon has a diverse ecosystem and the current state-wide ban is a one-size-fits-all solution which doesn't fit all. Thank you.