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On Behalf Of:	
Committee:	Senate Committee On Natural Resources and Wildfire
Measure, Appointment or Topic:	SB769

I am writing in support of SB769. I live in Western Oregon in Lane county. I have seen the impact of cougars significantly increase especially in recent years. The loss of livestock as well as wildlife like deer has increased as well. In the last two years many neighbors have lost livestock and poultry due to cougars. My property has been in my wifes family since 1926 and until recent years had never had an encounter with cougars and now it's becoming more and more often. I have seen first-hand the benefits of hounds to aid in tracking down the ever increasing population please allow this to be allowed again. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,,

Leroy McManus