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I vehemently oppose SB 769. As top predators, cougars are an important part of our wildlife. They aren't overpopulating, they aren't attacking people, and they aren't eaten for meat. There is no reason to kill them other than to satisfy the bloodlust of hunters. Using dogs to chase them is incredibly cruel.

Oregon voters have already spoken twice on this issue and passed Measure 18 banning hunting cougars with dogs. There is no reason to allow counties an exemption for this. Please get rid of this atrocious bill and leave cougars alone!