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

I'm writing to urge the Committee to oppose SB 769.

Oregon voters have made it clear—twice—that we oppose this cruel and unsportsmanlike practice.

Allowing the indiscriminate killing of Oregon's cougar population, including with cruel and unsporting hounding methods, is not sound wildlife management and not in the best interests of Oregonians or our state's cougar population.

Measure 18 already provides options for individual cougars who may threaten people or property.

And studies show that trophy hunting of cougars exacerbates conflicts with humans, pets, and farm animals.

Please oppose this harmful and unnecessary legislation.

Thank you!