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Wildfire  
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I would like to express my support on SB 769. As an avid hunter and outdoorsman in Oregon, I have watched the steady decline of ungulates on the landscape in direct correlation with the growing number of mountain lions since the passing of measure 18 in 1994. I would like to see both ungulates as well as mountain lion on the landscape for generations to come. But without proper game management of mountain lion their numbers will continue to go unchecked, and our deer and elk herds will continue to suffer. There is no better way to control or manage the population of mountain lion than the use of hounds. furthermore, I believe you will find no one in the state who truly loves the mountain lion more than the houndsmen themselves. Allow the counties to become a part of the solution in making this decision, with the folks this directly impacts.

Thank you for your time.