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I fully support SB 769 because it recognizes that each county in Oregon has different wildlife management needs. I've followed the debate over cougar hunting, and I believe counties that are experiencing more conflicts should have the option to use hound hunting as a targeted control tool. I'm not interested in reducing cougars to the point of endangerment; I just want to see them managed responsibly alongside other important species like mule deer and elk. This bill's local-choice model is fair, flexible, and grounded in sound conservation principles. Please keep in mind that one size does not fit all when it comes to wildlife management.

In gratitude,

Steve Allison