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Wildfire

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I support SB769 to allow counties to vote on whether to use hounds to hunt cougars. Eastern Oregon's vote is seldom heard on many issues due to the population on the western side of the state. Counties should have the right to put this to the vote of the people of their county. My husband and I are cattle ranchers and love to hunt, as well. We have noticed a big decline in the number of elk and mule deer and have seen many cougar kills each year. Eradication of cougar is not what I am seeking, but rather to restore balance for the benefit of other species. I urge you to support SB 769!