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on behalf of the Oregon public and most importantly, the Oregon hunters, I fully support Bill 769. As a licensed veterinarian and an Oregon resident, I truly believe that allowing the pursue and hunting of cougars with dogs in in the upmost interest of the elk and deer populations. Dogs have been part of human development for hundreds of years and they have proven to of invaluable aid in the success of cougar hunting. Clears examples can be noticed in states where dogs can be legally used to pursue cougars. The elk and deer population has flourish, or it has not decayed with the pursue of cougars with dogs.

Cougar hunter in the state of Oregon has the lowest harvest success in the entire country, therefore it exponentially affects our elk and deer populations. those populations have been on decline on the last 10 years, and some of that can be attributed to the cougar over population.