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1 **ESSB 5001** - H AMD TO H COMM AMD (5001-S.E AMH NR H5011-1)

2 By Representative Dunshee

3 On page 2, after line 2 of the amendment, strike everything
4 through "time." on line 26 and insert the following:

5 "(b) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the
6 director from issuing a permit or memorandum of understanding to a
7 public agency, university, or scientific or educational institution for
8 the use of a dog or dogs for the pursuit, or capture and relocation, of
9 black bear, cougar, bobcat, or lynx for scientific purposes.

10 (c) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the
11 director from issuing a permit or memorandum of understanding to a
12 public agency, university, or scientific or educational institution for
13 the use of a dog or dogs for the killing of black bear, cougar, or
14 bobcat, for the protection of a state and/or federally listed
15 threatened or endangered species.

16 (3) Until June 30, 2004, and notwithstanding subsection (2) of
17 this section, the commission shall authorize the use of dogs only in
18 selected areas within a game management unit to address a public safety
19 need presented by one or more cougar. This authority may only be
20 exercised after the commission has determined that no other practical
21 alternative to the use of dogs exists, and after the commission has
22 adopted rules describing the conditions in which dogs may be used.
23 Conditions that may warrant the use of dogs within a game management
24 unit include, but are not limited to, confirmed cougar/human safety
25 incidents, confirmed cougar/livestock and cougar/pet depredations, and
26 the number of cougar capture attempts and relocations.

27 (4) A person who violates subsection (1) or (2) of this section is
28 guilty of a gross misdemeanor. In addition to appropriate criminal
29 penalties, the director shall revoke the hunting license of a person
30 who violates subsection (1) or (2) of this section and a hunting
31 license shall not be issued for a period of five years following the
32 revocation. Following a subsequent violation of subsection (1) or (2)
33 of this section by the same person, a hunting license shall not be
34 issued to the person at any time.

35 NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. If specific funding for the purposes of
36 this act in the amount of at least eight hundred thousand dollars,

1 referencing this act by bill or chapter number, is not provided by June
2 30, 2000, in the omnibus appropriations act, this act is null and
3 void."

4 Renumber the remaining section consecutively, correct any internal
5 references accordingly, and correct the title.

EFFECT: Eliminates the department's authority to issue a permit to a public agency, university, or scientific or educational institution for the use of a dog or dogs to remove black bear, cougar, bobcat, or lynx for scientific purposes. Provides authority for the director to issue a permit to a public agency, university, or scientific or educational institution for the use of a dog or dogs for the killing of black bear, cougar, or bobcat for the protection of a state and/or federally listed threatened or endangered species. Requires that the commission's authority to allow the hunting of cougar with dogs expires on June 30, 2004. Provides a null and void clause.