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Dogs have no comment on bark ban; prince accused of beating dog; and other news.

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Dogs Have No Comment on Bark Ban

The Riverside County Board of Supervisors approved Tuesday an anti-nuisance ordinance aimed at silencing noisy dogs by slapping their owners with fines that can range as high as \$500, MSNBC.com reports.

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Girlfriend Gets to Keep Puppy Her Boyfriend Is Charged With Stealing

It was love at first sight for the 3-month-old yellow Labrador Retriever under the Christmas tree and his new owner. What the new owner didn't know was that her boyfriend is suspected to have stolen the puppy from a Stanton pet store a few days before Christmas, the Orange County Register reports.

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Deep Snow Causes Cancellation of 2009 Sled Dog Race

With the large amounts of snow, the trail crew has been unable to keep a designated trail open for the Third Crossing Sled Dog Rendezvous originally set Jan. 23 and 24 near Frazee, Minn. Because of this, and other snow-related reasons, the ninth annual sprint sled dog race has been cancelled, the Perham (Minn.) Enterprise Bulletin reports.

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Florida Dog Finds 'Marley & Me' Fame

A star from the Tampa Bay area has hit the big screen. One of the Labrador Retrievers in the movie "Marley & Me" is a local. The dog, Rudy, ended up at the Hillsborough County Animal Services shelter as a stray eight years ago. When the movie producers were looking for dogs to play the title role, they e-mailed the rescue center. In all, 22 dogs were involved in the movie, with Rudy among the older canine cast members, the Tampa Tribune reports.

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Britain's Prince Edward Accused of Beating Dog

Prince Edward has been in hot water with animal rights charities after using a stick to break up a dogfight. Edward, the third son and youngest child of Queen Elizabeth II, was pictured in newspapers waving the 4-foot stick at the gundogs, Agence France-Presse reports.

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