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Dog law stiffened in Kentucky town; more than 100 animals die in shelter fire; and other news.

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Dog Daycare Operating Illegally

The Stoughton, Mass., doggie daycare where a Shih Tzu puppy was killed when left to play unsupervised with four large dogs was operating illegally, the town's building commissioner said Monday, the Boston Herald reports.

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Dog Law Stiffened in Kentucky Town

Dogs will no longer get a "free bite" in Independence. Officials in the northern Kentucky city put more teeth into the animal control ordinance on Monday by removing a provision that a dog couldn't be declared vicious until after it bit someone, The Associated Press reports.

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More Than 100 Animals Die in Shelter Fire

A fire at a no-kill animal shelter in Killeen, Texas, claimed the lives of more than 100 dogs and cats. The cause of the fire early Sunday at the Second Chance Animal Shelter is sought. Authorities believe the fire may have started in the staff kitchen area, The Associated Press reports.

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In Stoughton, a Missing Dog's Strange Saga

Janet Torren sensed something was wrong when the animal control officer didn't return her calls. When she reached the officer, it seemed peculiar that her story changed with each question, she said. It was not until Torren threatened to call police last month that she learned the Stoughton, Mass., official in charge of finding stray dogs had given away her dog, The Boston Globe reports.

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