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Government imports drug-sniffing dogs; Australians pay up for pet pampering; and other dog news.

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At \$4K each, K9 Imports Draw Howls

The government imports hundreds of untrained bomb- and drug-sniffing dogs from Europe each year for as much as \$4,535 apiece, four times the price charged by American breeders, says a federal report released Friday, USA Today reports.
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Michigan Woman Charged With Cruelty Expected to Surrender Animals

A Sterling Heights woman charged with animal cruelty after police rescued 60 dogs, seven cats and one horse — many of them sick and malnourished — from her house and backyard last month appears poised to relinquish ownership of the animals in an agreement with authorities, the Detroit Free Press reports.
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Australians Paying Up for Pet Protection

Pampered dogs are being treated to a wide range of alternative treatments to cure their ailments, such as acupuncture, physiotherapy, counseling, and homeopathy. And pet owners worried about mounting bills can turn to insurance to cover most of the costs, NEWS.com.au (Australia) reports.
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Nova Scotia Animal Cruelty Case Adjourned

A mother and daughter charged in an animal cruelty case that resulted in the seizure of more than 100 dead or sick pets had their court hearing adjourned until July, the Chronicle Herald (Nova Scotia) reports.
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Day Care for Dogs, Cats a Growing Trend in Maine

It may be something in the catnip, but whenever Otto and Peanut — two cats owned by Deb Neuman of Bangor — travel to My Cat's Choice boarding facility in Eddington, the ever-rambunctious felines become peaceful and quiet, Bangor Daily News (New England) reports.
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