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Supporters gather signatures for dog racing ban; Dixie Dogs head north; and other dog news.

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Supporters Amass Signatures for Dog Racing Ban

Backers of a statewide ban on dog racing say they have once again gathered enough signatures to put the issue before Massachusetts voters, but whether it will appear on the November ballot is no sure bet, The Boston Globe reports.

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Dog Hoarder Gets 30 Days to Clean House

Health department officials have allowed a woman 30 days to clean up her property. Authorities seized 86 dogs Friday from her residence at in Washington Township, Ohio. They said feces coated the walls and urine ate holes in the floorboards, the Mansfield (Ohio) News Journal reports.

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Yakima Valley Town Bans Pit Bulls, Other Breeds

A small town in Washington where police have destroyed five dogs in six months has banned pit bulls and other breeds. The Wapato town council adopted the ban unanimously that applies to American Pit Bull Terriers or pit bull mixes, and other breeds, including Mastiffs, Rottweilers, and American Bulldogs, The Associated Press reports.

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FDA Vet Tracks Dog Deaths, Gets Smeared in the Process

A USA Today Opinion columnist sheds light on the Food and Drug Administration's decision to fire and criminally prosecute the scientist who gathered data about the dangers of flea preventive ProHeart 6 after the product's maker investigated and denounced the FDA.

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'Dixie Dogs' Head North

Dom Fanelli darted up the East Coast last weekend with a cuddly cargo: In the back of his van rustled 30 dogs, mostly puppies, rescued from overcrowded shelters in rural Georgia. His destination: Port Washington, N.Y., where potential adopters eagerly awaited the delivery of the gangly pups, The Christian Science Monitor reports.

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