Did You Know...



Effective August 28, 2017, Pennsylvania's anti-cruelty "Libre's Law" bolsters the penalties for animal abuse and neglect cases, including cases in which pets are left outside in the extreme heat or cold.

Under Libre's Law,

a dog cannot be left leashed (tethered/tied) and alone outside for longer than 30 minutes in temperatures that exceed 90 degrees or drop below 32 degrees Fahrenheit. Pet owners found violating these restrictions could face up to \$750 in fines and up to 90 days in jail!

Penalties are extended to those who intentionally torture, neglect or abuse their pets, with those charged with a third-degree animal abuse felony looking at fines up to \$15,000 and as many as seven years in jail.

Those who see an animal suffering from abuse are urged to call your local police department to report the incident. Owners who are found guilty of abuse will be forced to forfeit their pets to local shelters.

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