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An Act To Prohibit the Surgical Removal of Vocal Cords in Dogs

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 7 MRSA §4011-A is enacted to read:

§ 4011-A. Prohibition on removal of a dog's vocal cords

A person may not remove or have removed a dog's vocal cords except as treatment for a medical condition. A person may not remove or have removed a dog's vocal cords solely to eliminate barking.

SUMMARY

This bill prohibits the removal of a dog's vocal cords for nonmedical reasons.