



**American
Kennel Club®**

Canine Legislation Position Statement

ANIMAL TERRORISM

The American Kennel Club® abhors acts of violence, bullying and intimidation committed against dog owners, breeders, kennels, pet stores and research facilities by those who object to the keeping and use of animals. The AKC® respects the right of all individuals to express and advocate personal opinions in lawful ways. We support full enforcement of the Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act and we strongly condemn illegal actions such as the “liberation” of dogs or destruction of property. The AKC supports the right of people to own, train, interact with and exhibit their dogs without interference.