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Teen arrested for killing puppy with remote control

HYDE PARK, NY – Officials at the Dutchess County SPCA announce that a teenaged minor has been charged with animal cruelty for the death of his family's puppy. The teenager became upset when "Snoop", a 6-month-old miniature pincher, peed on the boy's bed. He chased the dog and threw a remote control striking the dog in the head. The blow was strong enough to cause a depression fracture in the dog's skull, resulting in the dog's death.

The teen will be arraigned on February 22 in the City of Poughkeepsie court. He faces one count of cruelty to an animal, a Class A misdemeanor.

The Dutchess County SPCA, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit, is the lead agency for animal rescue and adoption in Dutchess County. The DCSPCA is a no-kill shelter with a 139-year history of concern, caring and providing shelter for unwanted, abused, abandoned and neglected animals. Central to the mission of the DCSPCA is the securing of caring, responsible, permanent homes for the adoptable animals in its care.

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