HB 949 -- UNLAWFUL DOG TETHERING OR CHAINING

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This bill creates the offense of unlawful dog tethering or chaining, and it specifies the factors that amount to the offense, such as keeping a dog tethered or chained or otherwise restricted without someone physically present on the property; leaving the dog without shelter from extreme natural elements, adequate food, or access to unfrozen water; or keeping a dog tethered or chained over a total of three hours in a 24-hour period. The offense is a class B misdemeanor. The bill provides exceptions to the offense.

This bill is similar to HB 2721 (2022).