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**(N.E.)- Scottsbluff Man Pleads Guilty In Dog's Death**

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A Scottsbluff man has pleaded guilty to charges in connection with the death of a dog he threw against a wall.

KNEB radio reports 29-year-old Richard Mackin was arrested Wednesday night after officers responded to a domestic disturbance report.

Court documents say Mackin threw the dog against a wall, breaking its neck after becoming upset around his girlfriend's children.

During Mackin's first appearance Friday in Scotts Bluff County Court, he entered guilty pleas to third-degree domestic assault and cruelty to animals. Both are misdemeanors.

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