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My dog is part American staff. She's does what dogs are supposed to do and guards her people and her home. Now I am a responsible dog owner. I have a good fence to keep her in and don't let her roam out the front unless she is on a lead. I take her for walks on a harness and leash. Other dogs will come upto her because irresponsible people allow their dogs to roam without a leash on walks. If another dog comes near me - she will of course go into protect mode as another dog is charging down at me. She is doing her job - protect her owner. But nothing is said about the golden retriever, the poodle, the chihuahua that comes charging at me barking with no leash or harness on. Nope - it's always the staffy or bully breed that's criticised.I walk my dog early in the morning or late in the evening now so I can avoid such confrontation from other dogs and abuse from other owners even though it's their dog coming at me and my dog. The ban should not be on breeds of dogs. Education is needed for dog owners. There are so many irresponsible dog owners out there. My dog lives like a queen. She sleeps inside at night, she's inside if it's too hot outside, regular walks,regular worming,food and fresh water daily because she is family. She is here to protect me and my family. Please go forth and ban people from owning dogs that are irresponsible pet owners. Educate people on how to be better pet owners. There isn't enough done for people that are doing the wrong thing - but governing bodies are quick to penalise people doing the right thing.