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ELGIN MAN SENT TO PRISON FOR KILLING ROOMMATE'S CHIHUAHUA

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An Elgin man will serve a prison term for killing his roommate's Chihuahua after a dispute.

Oscar Guerrero, 20 (d.o.b. 2-11-1992), of the 500 block of Lavoie Avenue, Elgin, on Wednesday, Sept. 26, 2012, agreed with the Kane County State's Attorney to a sentence of two years in the Illinois Department of Corrections in exchange for a guilty plea to one count of aggravated cruelty to animals, a Class 4 felony.

Associate Judge James C. Hallock accepted the plea.

At about 1:30 a.m. May 13, 2012, Guerrero, who had been consuming alcoholic beverages, awoke a roommate and asked him to help with a project. The roommate, who had been sleeping with a Chihuahua named Daisy on the sofa in the living room, refused. The two began to argue and then Guerrero grabbed Daisy by the scruff of the neck and threw her at a wall, killing her.

According to Illinois law, Guerrero is eligible for day-for-day sentencing. Guerrero was given credit for at least 137 days in the Kane County jail, where he had been held since his arrest in lieu of \$50,000.

The case was prosecuted by Kane County Assistant State's Attorney Deborah Lang.