



## Sevier County man recovering from dog attack

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A Sevier County man is recovering after a dog attack Friday afternoon.

It happened around 4 p.m. at a home off Wears Valley Road.

Michael Holbert says he was in his yard when a neighbor's doberman pinscher attacked him.

He suffered a cut on his face and wounds to his hands. He was treated and released at a hospital.

Holbert's little dog, Chainsaw, also was injured and was having surgery at an animal hospital Friday night.

Holbert and his son, Patrick, say they now want to see tougher dog laws.

"At first, I really didn't care about it, but now that it's happened, you know, at home with my father, it really makes you change perspective, so I'd like definitely to see something done, not just with this dog but with other dogs," Patrick Holbert said. "I can see where people are coming from right now, so I definitely understand."

Sevier County Sheriff's Sgt. Michael Hodges says the attacking dog will be quarantined for 14 days.

Meanwhile, the sheriff's office will complete its investigation and decide whether the owner will face charges.

