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## **Press Release**

On 6/01/14, the Bates County Sheriff's Office received a call from a concerned citizen about a suspicious male subject who came to their residence located on 14<sup>th</sup> street outside of Rich Hill, MO. The male subject knocked on the door of reporting party's residence asking for gas. This concerned citizen asked the male subject to leave the property. Instead of leaving the property, the male subject walked toward the barn. Once Bates County Deputies arrived on the scene they attempted to locate the male subject who had been driving a white Chevy pickup. The vehicle was located by Deputies and was found to have been stolen out of Kansas City, MO. The male subject was then located just south of the reporting party's residence. He was arrested and Deputies identified him as Christopher Austin (DOB 08-05-1979) of Eldorado Spring Missouri.

Christopher Austin was transported to the Bates County Sheriff's Office where he was charged with Tampering with a Motor Vehicle in the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree. His bond was set at \$10000.00 cash or surety by the Honorable Judge Debra Hopkins.

