

Violent altercation sends man to jail

(KAIR)--An Atchison man, accused of choking his victim during a domestic battery incident, goes to jail.

Atchison Police Chief Mike Wilson told MSC News officers were called to the altercation around 9:00 Friday evening. "Our officers responded to a disturbance in the 1100 block of Kansas Avenue. What they determined was a 26-year-old female was a victim of aggravated domestic battery."

Arrested in connection with the crime was 29-year-old Akeem Woessner. "It's actually a new statute that came about through the 2017 Legislature where, if during a domestic battery choking or prohibiting somebody's breathing from occurring, that now elevates it to an aggravated domestic battery, and that's what we have in this case, where choking was involved during the disturbance," Wilson said.

According to Wilson, Atchison County EMS responded to the scene and provided care to the female victim.

Woessner was booked into the Atchison County Jail on charges of aggravated domestic battery, criminal damage to property, and possession of marijuana.

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