

Home invasion suspect enters plea

(KNZA)--One of two Sabetha residents charged in connection with an alleged Hiawatha home invasion has pleaded no contest to amended charges, canceling a jury trial that had been scheduled to begin October 25th.

Brown County Attorney Kevin Hill says 23-year-old Jazmene Hicks recently entered the plea to felony charges of robbery, burglary and aggravated battery along with a misdemeanor charge of criminal restraint.

Sentencing was set for November 6th.

Co-defendant, 21-year-old Edgar Martinez, is scheduled to enter a plea Tuesday.

The pair are accused of breaking into a home at 121 Apache Street, in Hiawatha, on May 16th. The occupant, Ray Atlakson, told police he was battered and robbed, with his hands bound behind his back before the suspects fled the scene.

Atlakson was treated for injuries at the Hiawatha Community Hospital.

The suspects are accused of taking a pair of car keys, billfold and a RCA tablet by force.