

Woman sentenced to prison in Jackson Co burglary

(KNZA)--A Horton woman convicted in the burglary of a Jackson County residence last August has been sentenced to 19 months in prison.

33-year-old Megan Hollister was handed the sentence last week in Jackson County District Court after she entered a “no contest” plea to a charge of burglary, canceling a jury trial that had been set in the case.

In exchange for the plea, five additional counts were dismissed.

Authorities say Hollister and co-defendant, Shelby Hopkins, of Whiting, broke into a residence in Whiting on August 21st of last year and stole a number of electronic items.

Hopkins was arrested shortly after the burglary and was sentenced to 18 months in prison after being convicted last October on charges of burglary and obstruction of official duty.

Hollister was placed on the “Jackson County Most Wanted” list and remained at large until November 5th when she was arrested in Atchison after crashing a stolen pickup truck following a chase.

In January, Hollister was placed on 12-months probation in the Atchison County case on charges of theft, driving while suspended and fleeing and eluding.