Charges Pending in Runaway Case

(KNZA)--A Hiawatha woman faces legal trouble in connection with a case involving a group of young runaways.

Brown County Attorney Kevin Hill says 21-year-old Jamie Wardrup is facing charges of deprivation of property, aggravated interference with parental custody and contributing to a child's misconduct.

The charges stem from the disappearance of three area teens, including two 15-year-old girls, Hannah May, of Hiawatha, and Tyesha Hazelton, of Atchison. The identity of the third teen has not yet been made public.

They fled from Hiawatha Monday morning, traveling in a pickup truck allegedly driven by Wardrup, and taken without permission.

The runaways, and Wardrup, were located the next evening in Blytheville, Arkansas, where Wardrup faces additional charges, including possession of a stolen vehicle.

She remains in custody in that location, and is expected to be extradited to Brown County following legal proceedings in Arkansas.

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