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INMATE BACK IN CUSTODY

(Pierre) - A South Dakota inmate is back in custody after escaping from a county jail in Nebraska last month.

Bevis Richards was apprehended on the Rosebud Reservation February 2, 2001 with the assistance of tribal police, U.S. Marshal's office, Federal Bureau of Investigation, parole and local law enforcement personnel.

Richards originally walked away from the Community Alternatives of the Black Hills (CABH) in Rapid City July 10, 2000. At that time, Richards was serving a five-year sentence and a concurrent two-year sentence out of Pennington County for Driving while Intoxicated.

Richards was arrested in Cherry County, Nebraska November 26, 2000 for obstruction of justice. He escaped from the Cherry County jail January 12th while awaiting extradition to South Dakota.

Richards is currently in the Pennington County Jail, awaiting a return to the South Dakota State Penitentiary in Sioux Falls. He faces escape charges in South Dakota.