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CHARGES FILED IN EMBEZZLEMENT CASE

Denver District Attorney Mitch Morrissey has charged a former city worker with embezzling more than \$200,000 from Denver's Department of Human Services.

Ivan Guerrero (dob: 12-17-64) is charged with seven counts of *theft* (F3 and F4).

The charges allege that between 2000 and 2006, Guerrero was able to steal \$270,000 by activating benefit accounts for people who were dead or who no longer received benefits. The charges allege he used "EBT" debit cards (electronic benefits transfer) to withdraw money from those accounts at various ATMs.

Guerrero's roommate, Jose Luis Torres-Montalvo is also charged with two counts of theft (F3); he is accused of also using two of the cards. Montalvo was taken into custody yesterday, July 19, 2006 and remains in custody in the Denver County Jail. His bond is set at \$100,000. He is scheduled to appear in Denver County Court, room 12T, on July 24, 2006 at 9:00 to be formally advised of the charges.

Guerrero remains at large. Anyone with information about his whereabouts should contact the Denver District Attorney's Office at 720-913-9015.