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MAN ARRESTED, SUSPECTED IN PHONY MAGAZINE SALES

A man who pleaded guilty in connection with a magazine sales scam last year is back in jail, suspected of continuing the scam throughout the metro area.

Sean Gilbert-Torres (dob: 07-26-80) pleaded guilty last October to *attempted theft* (F5) but then failed to report to probation or to complete the terms and conditions of his probation. A warrant was issued for his arrest and he was taken into custody Friday, July 8, 2011.

He was accused of claiming to be a student at DU and that if people bought a magazine subscription from him he would get points, and they could cancel the subscription the next day and get their money back.

New reports are being filed of victims who paid up to \$200 cash for the "subscription" and then contacted DU only to find there is no magazine subscription program.

Gilbert-Torres remains in custody in the Arapahoe County Jail on the earlier warrant for failure to comply with probation. The investigation into the new complaints is continuing.

Anyone who thinks they may be a victim can contact the Denver DA's Office at 720-913-9179.

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The filing of a criminal charge is merely a formal accusation that an individual(s) committed a crime(s) under Colorado laws. A defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty. See Colo. RPC 3.6