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Escapee back in prison

JACKSON, MISS. – A state inmate who escaped the Harrison County Community Work Center in Gulfport Tuesday night is back in prison.

Christopher D. Epps, 27, faces an escape charge. He was transported to the Central Mississippi Correctional Facility in Rankin after being taken into custody outside the facility at 11:44 p.m. Tuesday He had been discovered missing after 8 p.m.

Epps, MDOC #165446, is serving 18 years and one day for grand larceny, two counts of burglary larceny of an unoccupied dwelling and selling marijuana (enhanced penalty) in Hinds County. He was last sentenced Jan. 7, 2019.

How Epps escaped is still being determined. Whether he will face any additional charges also is a part of the ongoing investigation. He had been housed at the CWC since July 2019.