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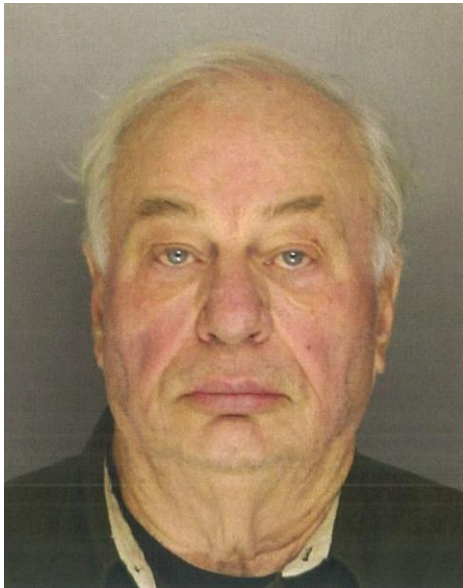
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PENNRIDGE BUS DRIVER CHARGED WITH INSTITUTIONAL SEXUAL ASSAULT, OTHER CHARGES OF TWO SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENTS



NORRISTOWN, Pa.—Montgomery County District Attorney Kevin R. Steele, Chester County District Attorney Thomas P. Hogan, Bucks County District Attorney David W. Heckler and Hilltown Township Police Chief Christopher E. Engelhart announce the arrest of James C. McIntyre, 74, for Institutional Sexual Assault, Indecent Assault, Indecent Exposure, Endangering Welfare Of Children, Corruption Of Minors and Unlawful Contact With Minor.

The joint investigation, initially begun by Hilltown Township Detective Louis Bell and with the full cooperation of the Pennridge School District, revealed that McIntyre, a bus driver for the Pennridge School District, was involved in repeated episodes of indecent contact with a 14-year-old and a 22-year-old female during a six-year time span, from 2009 to 2015. Both victims, who are special needs students, came into contact with the defendant while the defendant drove them in a school district van from their homes in Bucks County to the Vanguard School in Chester County.

The defendant inappropriately touched both victims over their clothes, exposed himself to the victims and had them touch him inappropriately. The investigation also revealed that these acts occurred while the van was stopped at various traffic lights in Montgomery County while McIntyre drove the victims to and from school.

The defendant was arraigned today before Magisterial District Judge Edward Levine. Bail was set at \$75,000 and the defendant was remanded to the Montgomery County Correctional Facility. A preliminary hearing is scheduled for 11:45 a.m. February 9, 2016 and will be held at Judge Levine's court, located at 430-440 Pennbrook Parkway in Lansdale.

Anyone who has related information is encouraged to call the Montgomery County Detective Bureau at 610-278-3368.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney Stewart Ryan.

Approved for release:

Kevin R. Steele

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