

## **Indecent Exposure Reportedly Accidental**

### **Local News**

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On Wednesday 8/5/09 at about 1:20 pm Hoquiam police responded to the Hoquiam Transit Station, 406 7th Street, to the report of a man exposing his genitals. When officers arrived on the scene an employee of transit told the officers that she saw a white male sitting on a concrete wall with his legs spread open and his genitals hanging out of his trousers. At the time she saw the man there were a number of preschool children getting off a bus so she directed them away from the man. As officers spoke to the complainant the man remained seated on the edge of concrete embankment. When the officers approached the man his genitals were still exposed. An officer asked the man about exposing himself and he told the officer that he did not realize that his genitals were outside his pants. As he responded to the officer's questions the man tucked his genitals back into his trousers.

The man was arrested and taken to the Hoquiam police where he was eventually issued a citation for Indecent Exposure and released. Throughout his questioning by the officer the suspect maintained that he was not aware that he was exposing himself. The suspect is a 55 years old and resides in Hoquiam. Hoquiam police have not had prior contacts with the suspect for similar incidents.