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Quick Arrest Made in Afternoon Robbery

An afternoon robbery has landed a Somerset man in jail.

At 3:10 PM Tuesday, Pulaski 911 received a call from the Kid's Wearhouse Consignment store on South US 27. 911 dispatchers overheard a female asking not to be tied up and not to be harmed.

The dispatchers feared a robbery was taking place and officers were sent to the scene.

Officers Matthews Gates and Joe Criswell arrived on the scene within minutes and saw 38-year-old Charles E. Tackett, of Country Oakes Drive, Somerset, attempting to get on a bicycle and leave the scene.

Tackett was taken into custody at gunpoint and without incident.

The investigation revealed Tackett entered the business wearing black clothing and a ski mask, and armed with a BB pistol that looks like a real gun.

He demanded money from the store's owner, to which she complied. While retrieving money from her purse, the owner was able to dial 911 on her cell phone.

Officers found the BB gun, a small amount of cash, and the store's cordless phone in Tackett's possession.

Tackett was charged with Robbery 1st Degree by Officer Criswell and lodged in the Pulaski County Detention Center.

The investigation is continuing by the SPD Criminal Investigation Division.