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Inmate Quickly Captured after Walk Away
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A minimum-security inmate was quickly returned to custody last evening shortly after he walked away from the Bergin Correctional Institution in Storrs.

Chazz Booker, 22, of Stamford, had been released earlier in the evening from his housing unit to attend religious services. Shortly before 9:30 p.m., correctional staff initiated an inmate population count after a suspicious individual was seen near the facility. The count showed Booker was missing. At about quarter to 10:00 p.m. he was found on foot, in close proximity to the facility and was apprehended without incident by Connecticut State Police.

Booker was serving 18 months for Larceny in the Third Degree. He had begun serving the sentence on September 16, 2004 and was due to be released on February 6, 2006. He has now been transferred to the maximum-security Northern Correctional Institution in Somers and will face additional criminal charges for escape.

The Bergin Correctional Institution is a Level 2, minimum-security facility, some of which is not secured by a perimeter fence.

The escape is under investigation by the Department of Correction Security Division and the Connecticut State Police.