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MAN HAS SEX WITH MINOR (Victim is 15-year-old girl)

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department Special Victims Unit has arrested John Mark Bynes, 6/14/1954, and charged him with two counts of Sexual Battery, Resisting Arrest and Violation of Probation. He is being held at the Broward County Main Jail.

According to detectives, Bynes had a sexual relationship with a 15-year-old female who would often run away from home and find shelter with him. After investigating the allegations and after interviewing the suspect, Bynes was arrested.

Based on statements made by the suspect and additional information, detectives are concerned that there may be more victims that have not come forward. Detectives are urging anyone with information regarding John Mark Bynes to contact Detective Brice Brittenum of the Fort Lauderdale Police Special Victims Unit at 954-828-5898 or Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.



Bynes, John Mark 6/14/1954