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## Man Charged with Allegedly Photographing Unsuspecting Female Shoppers

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(Christiansburg, Virginia) – Christiansburg police arrested a Dublin man for allegedly using the camera on his cell phone to photograph unsuspecting females while they shopped.

William Russell Hughes, 36, has been charged with knowingly and intentionally videotaping, photographing, or filming a non-consenting person 18 years of age or older.

Detectives with the Christiansburg Police Department began their investigation on April 16<sup>th</sup> after a report was filed of a white male taking a picture of an unsuspecting female while she was shopping. In that instance, the victim felt something hit her leg and allegedly looked down to see a man taking a picture with his cell phone. The victim confronted the man, who allegedly denied anything was happening and then walked away.

On April 27<sup>th</sup>, a man matching the description from the earlier incident was located at a Christiansburg business. He was identified as William Russell Hughes and questioned by police. A warrant for Hughes was obtained later that same day and he was arrested today.

Hughes was booked at Montgomery County Jail.

Investigators strongly suspect there are other victims who were photographed while shopping. Anyone with information is asked to please contact Detective Curtis Brown at (540) 382-6123.

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