

ILLINOIS STATE POLICE NEWS RELEASE

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<u>ILLINOIS STATE POLICE ARRESTS HOOPESTON MAN FOR</u> <u>POSSESSION OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE MATERIAL</u>

HOOPESTON – Illinois State Police (ISP) Division of Criminal Investigation Zone 5 agents arrested 24-year-old Connor S. Gilonske of Hoopeston, IL for Possession and Dissemination of Child Sexual Abuse Material.

After receiving a cyber tip, ISP agents began an investigation into the possession and dissemination of child sexual abuse material by Gilonske. On November 7, 2024, ISP agents located and arrested Gilonske in Danville, IL. A subsequent residential search warrant was then executed at Gilonske's residence in Hoopeston, IL. He is being held at the Vermilion County Public Safety Building pending his first court appearance.

This ongoing investigation is a collaborative effort between the Illinois Attorney General's Office Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, the Vermilion County Metropolitan Enforcement Group, the Vermilion County Sheriff's Office, the Danville Police Department, the Vermilion County State's Attorney's Office, and ISP.

If you have information about a crime that has been committed or that is about to be committed – please contact Crime Stoppers of Vermilion County at 217-446-TIPS

Anonymous tips of child sexual abuse material can also be reported through the NCMEC CyberTipline at <u>www.cybertipline.com</u>. To keep kids safe online, learn more at: <u>https://illinoisattorneygeneral.gov/onlinesafe/; www.cybertipline.org</u>; For resources for survivors of sexual abuse visit: <u>https://www.missingkids.org/gethelpnow/csam-resources</u>.



Connor S. Gilonske (M/24)

The charges are not evidence against the defendant, and the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.