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Defendant's Name: Chase Luke
Age: 24
City and State of residence: Huron, SD
Criminal File Number: 11-267
Originally Convicted of: Possession of Controlled Substance, (F4) 22-42-5
Ingestion, (M1) 22-42-15
Driving with Expired License Plates, (M2) 32-5-2.4
Original Date of Sentence: January 30, 2012 – Suspended Imposition of Sentence
3rd Probation Violation: 1) Violation of no possession or use of drugs or alcohol; 2) Failed to make regular payments on financial obligations; and 3) Failed to complete treatment.
Date of 3rd PV Disposition: December 22, 2014
Arresting Officer: Officer Gogolin – Huron City Police Department
Officer Layher – Huron City Police Department
Officer Neitzert – Huron City Police Department

Case Synopsis:

This is Chase Luke's 3rd probation violation since he was convicted on the above-indicated crimes. Luke, while on probation, violated several times due to his behavior which resulted in a series of alcohol violations and marijuana use. The Court found that Luke had violated his probation two separate times previously. On this occasion, law enforcement was called to a fight in progress at a residence in the city limits of Huron, SD. Luke was involved in this altercation. Inside the residence and in plain view of the officer who were responding to the incident was burnt and un-burnt marijuana as well as paraphernalia associated in the use and concealment of marijuana. More marijuana and paraphernalia was found in Luke's room which was discovered as part of a search warrant that had been obtained. The search warrant also included Luke's vehicle in which officers located methamphetamine, a spoon, a syringe, and a snort tube.

Sentencing Synopsis:

On the charge of possession of a controlled substance, the court resentenced Chase Luke and ordered that he serve a seven (7) years sentence with three years suspended to the SD State Penitentiary. Additional fees were assessed to cover the county providing an attorney to represent Luke throughout this process. The court re-ordered all of the financial obligations and Luke was ordered to start his sentence immediately.

Criminal History:

This is Chase Luke's third probation violation on his first felony conviction.