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CAPTURED: STATE INMATE WHO ESCAPED HINDS COUNTY JAIL

JACKSON – A 19-year-old state inmate who escaped the Hinds County Jail today with two other inmates has been captured, and is headed back to prison.

Jamond Leonard, #207062, was arrested at 5:45 p.m. at an apartment complex in Jackson by officers with the Mississippi Department of Corrections, the Hinds County Sheriff's Department and the U.S. Marshals Service Fugitive Task Force.

"I appreciate the efforts of all law enforcement entities who assisted in the prompt apprehension of this inmate," Interim Commissioner Pelicia Hall said.

Leonard went missing while at the Raymond jail on a court order. He is being returned to the Central Mississippi Correctional Facility in Rankin County.

Leonard was sentenced to prison on Nov. 22, 2016, for armed carjacking and armed robbery in Hinds County. He was given a total of 10 years to serve. He could face additional charges from today's escape.