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Holden man arrested in online solicitation sting

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A Holden man who police say teaches at Doherty High School in Worcester has been arrested by Holden Police on charges of soliciting sex for money after a sting operation involving a Craigslist.org ad.

David F. Bradley, 58, of 419 Wachusett St., Holden, was arrested by Holden Police when he met with a female undercover officer in the parking lot of Walgreens on Main Street in Holden on Feb. 25, allegedly believing the woman had agreed to come to his home to have sex with him for \$200.

Bradley allegedly posted an advertisement on Craigslist on Jan. 26 asking for someone to "hook-up" with him in Holden. Police assigned an undercover officer to respond to the ad. Via email, Bradley requested "one hour of passion" for his \$200. He arranged by phone to meet in the parking lot on Thursday.

Holden Police arrested Bradley, who told them he had done this once before but the woman had stolen prescription drugs from his home. He told police he suspected the assignment was a setup.

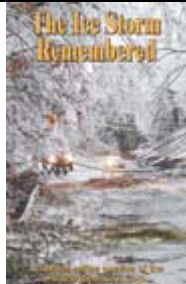
Bradley appeared in Leominster District Court Friday morning. He was released on his own recognizance and without bail and ordered to appear before the court again on March 22.

Holden Police stated in a press release that Bradley is a teacher at Doherty Memorial High School. The Worcester school superintendent's office said it could not release employee information.

Soliciting sex for money carries a penalty of not more than one year in a house of correction, or a fine of \$500, or both.



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Holden Police Detective Jonathan Santimore conducted the investigation; Sgt. Richard Horrigan and Officer Michael Joslyn assisted in the arrest.