Police Say Fort Smith Woman Filed False Rape Report

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A Fort Smith woman was arrested for filing a false police report, the Police Department announced Friday.

According to a news release, Angie Bennett, 20, told police she was raped at a convenience store in the 4100 block of Kelley Highway around 1:30 a.m. Friday.

Bennett said the clerk on duty had coaxed her into a rear stockroom and sexually assaulted her. She later told her mother, who brought her back to the store and insisted police be called.

However, a police officer went to the store around noon Friday to view the security video and saw evidence that indicated the encounter may have been consensual, the release states.

Bennett was brought to the police station, where she was interviewed and later admitted the encounter was consensual, police said.

She was arrested and booked into jail on $1,500 bond.