

## MISTAKEN IDENTITY?

Richard Houston Jr. was on his way to a party when police stopped him because he matched the description of an armed robber. He spent nearly two months in jail before the charges against him were dropped.

**1. Before 2 a.m.** Victim leaves home to buy cigarettes at the market.

**2. 2 a.m.** Houston leaves home to walk to a friend's house. They make plans to attend a party.

**3. 2:15 a.m.** The victim buys cigarettes at Stop N Save Liquors, then begins to walk home.

**4. 2:20 a.m.** Two men jump out of a Jetta and attempt to rob the victim at gunpoint. He screams and runs away. He's able to find a police officer nearby.

**5. 2:22 a.m.** Sgt. Ed Steele hears the report about the armed robbery and begins looking for suspects.

**6. 2:25 a.m.** Steele is attempting to catch up with a vehicle heading north on Prescott when he sees Richard Houston walking north and believes Houston matches the suspect description.

**7. 2:25 a.m.** Angel Mota watches Richard Houston walk toward his house and notices that a police car is following Houston. Houston is detained by police, who arrest him several hours later in the armed robbery.

