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## Nebraska woman gets probation for helping teen escape, hide in Carthage

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LEXINGTON, Neb. (AP) — A 23-year-old North Platte woman who helped a 17-year-old boy escape a home for troubled teens and hid with him in Missouri has been given three years' probation.

In a deal with prosecutors, Briana Turnbull pleaded no contest last month to contributing to the delinquency of a minor, attempted juvenile escape and violation of a custody order.

The sentence handed down Wednesday included 120 days in jail that can be waived if she completes probation successfully.

Her father is Lincoln County Judge Kent Turnbull, so the trial was moved to Dawson County.

Police say Turnbull helped the teenager escape in November. Turnbull was working there.

The two went to Carthage, Mo., and stayed for three months before returning to Nebraska.