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Beatrice Man Ruled Incompetent

BEATRICE, Neb. (AP) - A 40-year-old Beatrice man convicted of sexually assaulting a 9-year-old boy has been found incompetent.

Gage County District Judge Paul Korslund said in a court document signed Monday that Scott Taylor needs court-ordered custody or treatment because he suffers an intellectual disability or severe chronic cognitive impairment. In September Taylor pleaded no contest to sexual assault of a child. Prosecutors had lowered the charge.

His sentencing was delayed after questions were raised about the danger he poses to the public. Three evaluations were conducted on Taylor, who is unable to read, write or do math. Court documents say experts concluded that Taylor does pose a threat to others.

The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services has been ordered to devise a plan for his treatment and custody.

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