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Police Cracking Down on Bail Bondsmen at Courthouse

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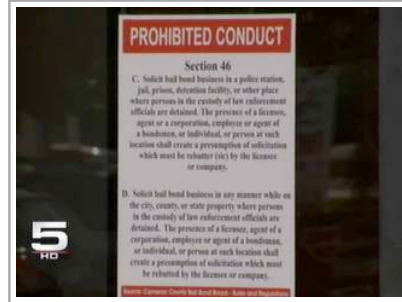


BROWNSVILLE - Brownsville police say bail bondsmen lobbying for potential customers outside a municipal courthouse are getting out of hand.

On Monday, several bail bonds companies were seen competing for business. One bail bondsman says some people were getting aggressive.

The problem caught the attention of Brownsville police commanders.

"Well, we noticed there was a large congregation of bail bondsmen companies here. The representatives many times out numbered the people being bonded out and that led us to believe that possible there was some solicitation going on," said Lt. Raul Rodriguez.



Brownsville police put up five signs inside and outside of the municipal court. It clearly outlines that there is to be no solicitation. If workers violates the rules, commanders say there will be sanctions.








"They could be suspended. They could be warned or they could lose their license for bonding," added Lt. Rodriguez.


After the signs went up, only about a quarter of bondsmen were seen around the courtroom. Many didn't even talk to the families needing help.

Police hope the bondsmen will follow the rules so they won't have to enforce any administrative actions against these companies.

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