INEOS, Neb. — A 15-year-old Wyoming boy charged with strangling a 9-year-old in December robbed a convenience store in Mitchell.

The State Patrol says a state trooper was given permission to move a 43-foot war memo-

ory boat from the Mitchell Public Storage to the Nebraska Department of

Natural Resources' Project Water Reclamation in Gering.

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JACKSON, Neb. — Nebraska Attorney General

Kimberly M. Frost says a police-backed unit called

Project Water Reclamation has been investigating

the theft of water reclamation equipment, and she

is asking for the public's help.

Frost said Tuesday that the unit has served

search warrants on 25 homes and seized

$500,000 worth of equipment.

She said the project helps

by reducing the amount of water

that Nebraska residents use.

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BELOIT, Kan. — A Kansas small town

that has been in the news for its plans to

raise money through a local lottery

will have to appeal to the state to

get the lottery started.

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AUSTIN, Texas — Texas' leading

lawmakers are set to formally

end their regular session starting

Tuesday, bringing a close to a

legislative session marked by

battles among governors and

congressional leaders over

redistricting and immigration.