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(57) A theft deterrent device comprises a carrier having a pivotally mounted pin and an alarm tag for receiving the pin to secure the carrier and alarm tag together when secured on an item of merchandise by an adhesive pad on the carrier. Electrical contacts within the alarm tag receive the pin to provide an electrical path between the contacts to close a electrical circuit which turns the device on. The device is configured to sound an alarm in response to prying of the earner from the alarm tag or cutting of the pin of the carrier, or if an EAS tag receives a wireless signal from a security gate.

