

JEFFERSON CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT Media Release (573)634-6400

To: All Media Outlets
Contact Person: Lt. D. Williams
Subject: Arrest Foot pursuit

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Earlier this afternoon, at approximately 2:28 PM officers attempted to conduct a traffic stop in the 1800 block of Route C. The vehicle, a Chevrolet Tahoe, failed to yield and pulled into the lot of Schulte's grocery store. The driver, Joey Hampton, exited the vehicle and fled into the store.

As officers gave chase, the subject began making movements near his waistband. Pursuing officers could not determine if he was attempting to produce a weapon. Officers continued to give loud verbal commands to stop and produce his hands. As the suspect ran through the store, multiple patrons were ordered to the floor for their safety by pursuing officers.

The subject was taken into custody inside the business and it was determined that he was attempting to hide narcotics into his pants during the chase. Hampton, a 34 year old Jefferson City resident is currently on Probation for 3 counts of Distribution of a Controlled Substance through the Missouri Probation and Parole.

New charges will be submitted to the Cole County Prosecutor for Resisting Arrest, Possession/Distribution of Controlled Substances (Heroin, Marijuana and Methamphetamine) and several traffic related offenses.

Hampton is being held at the Cole County Jail pending charges.

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