

# Press Release

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## **Alleged Drunk Driver Attempted to Ram Deputies**

**Tallahassee-** An alleged drunk driver attempted to ram Leon County Sheriff's Deputies during an attempted traffic stop.

Shortly after 2:30 AM, deputies observed a Jeep Grand Cherokee weaving on Jackson Bluff Road. As they attempted a traffic stop, the driver, later identified as Loran Munchick, fled up Lipona Drive and onto West Pensacola Street, then eastbound towards the Florida State University Campus. According to reports, the driver turned onto Chapel Drive and lost control and spun the SUV around 180 degrees. Deputies say the driver then proceeded directly at them causing them to take evasive action to avoid being hit head on. Munchick then drove back towards Pensacola Street clipping the curb which caused him to blow out his left rear tire. Munchick then drove across Pensacola Street and through the fence at a residence in the 1700 block without stopping. Munchick then drove into a parking lot on the FSU Campus and cut his headlights off before fleeing east bound on Gaines Street.

The vehicle was last seen as it fled on Stone Valley Way. Deputies found the SUV abandoned next to a tractor trailer in the area. A Tallahassee Police officer observed the subject run from the vehicle and with the assistance of deputies, took Munchick into custody. According to reports, Munchick resisted the arresting officers and did not comply until deputies deployed a Taser.

Loran Munchick was booked in to the Leon County Jail charged with Aggravated Assault of a Law Enforcement Officer, Aggravated Fleeing and Attempting to Elude, Resisting Arrest, Hit and Run, DUI and other traffic charges.

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