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Tag Violation Leads to Stolen Gun Arrest

On July 25, 2021, LCSO deputies were conducting proactive traffic enforcement in the area of Thomasville Road and Timberlane Road when they spotted a vehicle being driven without a license plate. When deputies got behind the vehicle, they observed the vehicle had a cardboard sign which read "tag applied for." When deputies spoke with the driver, they smelled a strong odor, consistent with marijuana, and they saw remnants consistent with marijuana in the vehicle. The driver later told deputies that one of his four passengers was in possession of marijuana.

Deputies conducted an investigation and found an unsecured black Taurus G2c 9mm caliber handgun underneath the front passenger's seat. A check of the handgun revealed it was reported stolen out of Valdosta, Georgia. The vehicle passenger, 18 year old Rico Walker, is not licensed to carry a concealed firearm.

Walker was arrested and transported to the Leon County Detention Facility.



Arrested: Rico Rechae Walker

DOB: 07/03/2003

Charges: Carrying Concealed Weapon Unlicensed Firearm



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