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LCSO Arrests Driver with Stolen Handgun

On January 28, 2021, a Leon County Sheriff's Office deputy conducted a traffic stop on a black sedan for running a red light. Contact was made with the driver who was identified as 18-year-old Jamari Johnson. Due to Johnson's behavior and movements within the vehicle, the responding deputy requested Johnson step out of his vehicle to further discuss the traffic violation. Johnson refused to exit the vehicle despite repeatedly being ordered to do so. After backup arrived, deputies then removed Johnson from the vehicle and placed him under arrest for obstruction.

A local towing company was called to remove the vehicle. Prior to the vehicle being towed, deputies completed an inventory search. A Ruger EC9s handgun, concealed under the driver's seat, was recovered. A check of the firearm's serial number confirmed that it had been reported stolen to the Quincy Police Department.

Johnson was transported to the Leon County Detention Facility without incident.



ARRESTED: Jamari Johnson

DOB: 3/07/2002

CHARGES: Grand theft of a firearm
Carrying a Concealed Firearm w/o a License
Resisting w/o Violence

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