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SLED INVESTIGATING OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING IN SUMTER COUNTY

Agents from the S.C. Law Enforcement Division are investigating an incident from Saturday morning in which shots were fired during an altercation between a man and a deputy from the Sumter County Sheriff's Office. A deputy was responding to a domestic call for service when the altercation took place. The man was shot during the incident and taken to the hospital with non-life threatening injuries. The deputy was treated for minor injuries at a local medical facility and released. No other injuries have been reported.

SLED conducts law enforcement officer involved shooting (OIS) investigations at the request of the agency involved in the incident. When requested to investigate an OIS, SLED's goal is to conduct a thorough, independent criminal investigation as timely as is possible under the circumstances. SLED investigators will conduct interviews with all potential witnesses in this matter. Further, SLED will collect all relevant evidence and will forensically test such evidence as needed.

Information gathered in the SLED investigation of the incident will be summarized in a case file report to be submitted to prosecutors.

This is an ongoing investigation. As such, no other information about the case will be disclosed by SLED at this time. SLED will defer to the Sumter County Sheriff's Office for any information about their deputy.

The incident in Sumter County was the fifth officer involved shooting in South Carolina in 2021. In 2020, there were 49 officer involved shootings in South Carolina; one involved the Sumter County Sheriff's Office.

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