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### **SLED INVESTIGATING OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING IN SUMTER COUNTY**

Agents from the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division are investigating an incident from Monday where an armed man was shot during an encounter with a deputy from the Sumter County Sheriff's Office. Deputies were responding to a call about a domestic dispute at the incident location. The man died at the scene. No law enforcement officers were injured. Information about the deceased will come from the Sumter County Coroner's Office.

This is an ongoing investigation. As such, no other information about the case will be disclosed by SLED at this time.

SLED conducts law enforcement officer involved shooting (OIS) investigations at the request of the agency involved in the incident or the agency with jurisdiction. 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 agents 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.

The incident in Sumter County was the 26<sup>th</sup> officer involved shooting in South Carolina in 2022. This is the second officer involved shooting for the Sumter County Sheriff's Office this year.

In 2021, there were 40 officer involved shootings in South Carolina. The Sumter County Sheriff's Office had one officer involved shooting last year.

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