

Massachusetts State Police traffic stop results in arrest, firearm charges, seized firearm

On Thursday, May 27, just before 2:00 a.m. Trooper Luis Valdez, assigned to the Massachusetts State Police-Concord Barracks was on patrol on Route 3 in Billerica. While conducting stationary speed enforcement, Trooper Valdez was able to measure the speed of a gray BMW 528 sedan traveling 86 miles per hour in a 55 mile per hour zone. It was then that Trooper Valdez activated his blue lights and initiated a motor vehicle stop.

Trooper Valdez then approached the operator, ANTHONY LOPERFEASTER, 25, of Cambridge. It was discovered that LOPERFEASTER's license to operate a motor vehicle was suspended. Trooper Valdez then asked the three passengers in the vehicle if they had valid licenses in Massachusetts so they could take control of the vehicle and drive it from the scene. None of the passengers were licensed and a tow for the vehicle was called.

Trooper Valdez was joined at the scene of the traffic stop by Trooper Tara Poor. The two Troopers removed the occupants from the vehicle prior to a motor vehicle inventory being conducted. The four occupants were allowed to take shelter from the rain in the two cruisers on scene. Prior to taking a seat in the cruiser, it was revealed that the passenger sitting in the front seat was in possession of a firearm. JORDAN PETION, 21, of Dorchester had in a small bag under his seat a semi-automatic .45 caliber handgun. PETION does not possess a license to carry to firearms and was placed under arrest. Upon investigation of the bag in the vehicle, the

weapon was found to have a round in the chamber, and a loaded 10 round magazine inserted into the magazine well. An additional 2 rounds of 9mm ammunition was also found in the bag. PETION was then placed into a cruiser and transported back to the Concord Barracks for booking.

LOPES-FEASTER received a summons to appear in Lowell District Court on the following charges:

1. Operation of a Motor Vehicle With A Suspended License; and Speeding.

PETION was scheduled to appear in Lowell District Court on the following charges:

1. Possession of A Firearm Without FID Card;
2. Possession of Ammunition without FID Card;
3. Improper Storage of a Firearm;
4. Carrying A Firearm Without A License; and
5. Carrying a Loaded Firearm.