Massachusetts State Troopers arrest man for narcotics, firearm offenses

On Saturday July 27 Trooper Brian Santry and his Field Training Officer, Trooper Michael Callahan of State Police-Revere, were dispatched to 911 reports of a vehicle stopped on Route 1 in Chelsea with the operator unconscious behind the wheel. Upon the arrival of troopers they observed the vehicle partially stopped in a construction zone and partially in an active travel lane and attempted to wake the operator. They noticed the vehicle was still in gear and the operator was holding the vehicle in place with his foot on the brake pedal. After 1-2 minutes the operator arose and began speaking to troopers.

Once Troopers Santry and Callahan arrived on scene they interviewed the operator, identified as BRIAN BARR, 30, of Wareham, and noticed signs of impairment. They formed the opinion that BARR was under the influence of an intoxicating substance, placed him under arrest, and requested a tow truck to remove his vehicle. Prior to the vehicle being removed from the scene Trooper Santry conducted a motor vehicle inventory and immediately noticed a large amount of marijuana along with prescription medication not belonging to BARR. Trooper Santry continued the inventory and located a loaded Glock 22 firearm along with over 150 rounds of various ammunition. BARR is not licensed to possess firearms. A K-9 was requested and Trooper Daniel Purtell arrived with K-9 Neko to conduct a search of the vehicle locating additional narcotics.

BARR was transported to SP Revere where he was booked. He was arraigned today at Chelsea District Court on the following charges:

- OUI Drugs, 2nd Offense;
- OUI Liquor 2nd offense;
- Possession of a Class D Substance with Intent to Distribute;
- Five Counts of Possession of a Class E Substance;
- Illegal Possession of a Firearm;
- Carrying a Loaded Firearm while Intoxicated;
- Possession of a Firearm in the Commission of a Crime;
- Possession of Ammunition without FID Card; and
- Unlawful Possession of Fireworks.