

# Ohio State Highway Patrol



## MEDIA RELEASE



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### **Troopers seize approximately 198 pounds of marijuana edibles in Madison County traffic stop**

SOMERFORD TOWNSHIP – A California man is facing felony drug charges after Ohio State Highway Patrol troopers seized 198 pounds of marijuana edibles, worth approximately \$990,000.

On August 25, 2017, troopers stopped a 2017 Cadillac SRX, with Florida registration, for a marked lanes violation on Interstate 70 in Madison County. Upon approach to the vehicle, troopers smelled the odor of marijuana. A probable cause search revealed the contraband. Troopers also recovered personal use of ecstasy pills throughout the vehicle.

The driver, Christopher Sutton, 36, of Los Angeles, Calif., was incarcerated in the Tri-County Jail. He was charged with possession of marijuana, a second-degree felony and possession of MDMA, a fifth-degree felony. Sutton was also charged with OVI.

If convicted, he could face up to nine years in prison and up to a \$17,500 fine.

A photo of the seized contraband is available for download on the Patrol's website at [www.statepatrol.ohio.gov](http://www.statepatrol.ohio.gov)

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