

Ohio State Highway Patrol



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Troopers seize 50 pounds of hydroponic marijuana in Miami County

PIQUA – Ohio State Highway Patrol troopers filed felony drug charges against a Georgia man after a traffic stop in Miami County. During the traffic stop, troopers seized 50 pounds of hydroponic marijuana valued at approximately \$226,950.

On January 24, 2018 at 8:42 a.m., troopers stopped a 2018 Chevrolet Malibu with Michigan registration for an improper lane change and a following too close violation on Interstate 75 near milepost 84. Criminal indicators were observed and a Patrol drug-sniffing canine alerted to the vehicle. A probable cause search revealed the contraband.

The suspect, Kasheem R. Hill, 26, of Marietta, Ga., was incarcerated in the Miami County Jail and charged with possession of marijuana, a second-degree felony and possession of criminal tools, a fifth-degree felony.

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

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