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Media Advisory

Suspicious Package Left at the Carson City DMV/Department of Public Safety Building Causing Building Evacuated

At 1541 hours Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to the DMV/DPS building located at 555 Wright Way in Carson City for a suspicious package located in the lobby of the DMV causing the facility to be evacuated.

The preliminary investigation indicates Carson Fire personnel was on scene at the DMV handling a medical call, when they observed a white male with two packages creating a commotion. The male left the facility leaving the bags behind. Carson Fire personnel smelled an unknown odor emanating from the bags. The bags were subsequently taken outside the building by Carson Fire. Carson Fire then contacted Carson City Sheriff's Dispatch with a description of the male and started the evacuation of the building.

A male matching the description was located at Stewart Street and Carson Street by Carson City Sheriff's Deputies. The male was identified by his Nevada Identification card as 65-year-old Charles Leigh Self, out of Silver City Nevada. A routine wants and warrants check was ran on Mr. Self which showed he had an outstanding warrant out of Reno for failure to maintain proof of insurance and multiple traffic violations. Mr. Self was arrested on his outstanding warrants by the Carson City Sheriff Office and transported to the Carson City Jail for booking on the warrant.

The DMV building and parking lots were evacuated and Douglas Tahoe Bomb Squad were called to determine the contents of the two bags. The bomb squad determined that the packages were not bombs and disposed of the contents of the bags, which were nothing more than paper and miscellaneous items. Mr. Self is a person of interest in this incident pending further investigation.

If anyone has any information regarding this incident please contact the Nevada Highway Patrol at (775)689-2500 and reference NHP#130506323 or Carson City Sheriff Office at (775)887-2020 and reference CCSO#156.

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