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Additional Charges in Attempted Murder Case

Additional charges for 21-year-old William Bryant, of West Fern Place in connection with the attempted murder of a Citrus County Sheriff's deputy from last week. Not only is Bryant being held without bond on charges of attempted murder of a law enforcement officer and aggravated fleeing and eluding, today detectives added on possession of a firearm by a convicted felon and 3 counts of possession of a controlled substance with intent to distribute (Meth, cocaine and cannabis).

Bryant was hospitalized last Thursday morning, after a Citrus County deputy shot him at the end of a car chase in Homosassa. During the pursuit, Bryant's vehicle struck the deputy, and then attempted to strike the deputy with his car, prompting the deputy to open fire at Bryant, who crashed his vehicle near a home on Stonegate Court, just east of U.S. 19.

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) is now investigating this case.