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SUSPECT APPREHENDED, CHARGES PENDING IN SHOOTING DEATH OF TBI AGENT

JACKSON – Special Agents from the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation continue to investigate the circumstances surrounding the shooting death this afternoon of a TBI Special Agent during the course of an ongoing drug investigation.

Preliminary information indicates Special Agent De'Greau Frazier was one of several agents working alongside the Metro Narcotics Unit during a controlled buy this afternoon around 2:00 in a vehicle in the area of Brianfield Cove. During the exchange, a subject in the backseat of the car, whom the Agent met for the purposes of purchasing illicit drugs, produced a firearm in an attempt to rob the Agent and an informant sitting in the front seat. During the exchange, the subject fired once, striking Agent Frazier, who subsequently died at Jackson-Madison County General Hospital.

The subject was apprehended by law enforcement officers a short distance away in the area of Tinker Hill Cove. He is currently in law enforcement custody with charges pending.

Frazier, 35, joined TBI in February 2016, following a career as a police officer with the Millington Police Department. In that capacity, he also served on a DEA Task Force.

"Agent Frazier was exactly what we look for in a TBI Agent: hard-working, enthusiastic, and dedicated to making Tennessee a better place to live," said TBI Director Mark Gwyn. "We are deeply saddened by his death and will work aggressively to investigate this case to its fullest. His commitment to our agency and public service will not be forgotten."



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