

# Sheriff



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## **MAN CHARGED WITH DUI HAS CHILD IN BACK SEAT**



A Bonifay man is charged with driving under the influence and felony child abuse without great harm after a deputy with the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office stopped to check on a passenger hanging out a car door.

The deputy spotted someone doubled over the side of a red Chevy Blazer on the side of Highway 90 at Mount Olive Road around 3 p.m July 3<sup>rd</sup>. When he stopped to check on the person's welfare, the driver, identified as 36-year old James Frank Draper of Rangeline Street in Bonifay, attempted to drive away.

The deputy's investigation revealed Draper was intoxicated. Draper was arrested for driving under the influence. In the rear seat, a six-year old child was sleeping on a case of beer. An open bottle of beer was spilled in the floor, saturating the child's shoe.

Draper was also charged with child abuse without great harm.

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