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Lebanon Corrections Officer arrested for Illegal Drug Activity

LEBANON - A Lebanon Corrections Officer is scheduled to appear in Warren County Court today after troopers arrested him Friday night for attempting to convey drugs into the Lebanon Correctional Institution.

Ohio State Highway Patrol troopers charged Dennis O'Rourke, 25, with attempting to convey drugs onto the grounds of a detention facility, a third-degree felony, and child endangerment, a first-degree misdemeanor.

Troopers and Department of Rehabilitation and Correction investigators obtained information that O'Rourke was working for an inmate to bring drugs into the Lebanon Correctional Institution. O'Rourke was arrested at 9:50 p.m. Friday night after troopers caught O'Rourke meeting his contact in Dayton to pick-up marijuana. O'Rourke had his two-year-old daughter with him during the drug transaction.

O'Rourke was incarcerated in the Warren County Jail. If convicted, he could face up to seven years in prison and a \$15,000 fine.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol investigates criminal activity on state-owned and leased property.

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