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Patrol seizes illicit prescription drugs, valued at \$90,000 in Hancock County traffic stop

FINDLAY – A Kentucky woman is facing felony drug charges after Ohio State Highway Patrol troopers seized prescription drugs, valued at an estimated \$90,000, during a traffic stop yesterday in Hancock County.

The driver of the vehicle, Jessica Smith, 28, of Louisville, Ky., was charged with drug abuse of a schedule III, IV or V substance, a first-degree felony, and drug abuse of a schedule I or II substance, a second-degree felony.

Troopers stopped a rented 2010 Cadillac DTS, with Kentucky registration, for a marked lanes violation on the Interstate 75, near milepost 160, this past Sunday. Troopers observed criminal indicators and a Hancock County Sheriff's Office drug-sniffing canine alerted to the vehicle. A probable cause search revealed 1,486 loritab pills, 172 oxycontin pills, 143 xanax pills and 24 bottles of Tylenol with codeine.

The suspect was incarcerated in the Hancock County Jail. If convicted, she could face up to 18 years in prison and a \$35,000 fine.

Photos of the seized prescription drugs are available for download on the Patrol's web site at www.statepatrol.ohio.gov.

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