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FHP shares pictures of hit and run suspect

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HERNANDO COUNTY --

The driver of a Jeep Liberty is suspected of hitting another vehicle and then leaving the scene of the accident, the FHP said, and she has been arrested.

A suspect in this case was captured on film and the Florida Highway Patrol received help from the public.

The Jeep was westbound in the parking lot of 5168 Mariner Boulevard, approaching Mariner Boulevard at 2:50 p.m. on Tuesday (Oct. 30), FHP Sgt. Steve Gaskins noted in a press release based on information from crash investigator FHP Trooper T. Castiglione.

Meanwhile, Dale W. Buhr Jr., 19, of Weeki Wachee was driving a 2016 Hyundai Accent southbound on Mariner Boulevard, just North of Noremac Street, the FHP said.

The driver of the Jeep turned left from the parking lot into the path of the Hyundai, the FHP said.

As a result, the Hyundai struck the rear of the Jeep, the FHP said. The Jeep's driver stopped, on the opposite side of the roadway from the Hyundai, inspected the crash damage, and then fled the scene, the FHP said.

The driver of the Jeep was located, the FHP said.

Both occupants of the Jeep Liberty had just patronized a local business and their images were captured on video.



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FHP arrests hit and run driver

Haileigh Evelyn Linacre, 19, of Spring Hill surrendered to FHP troopers early Friday morning (Nov 2) and has been charged with leaving the scene of a crash and improper lane change, the FHP said.

"The FHP wishes to thank Hernando County Crime Stoppers and the numerous tipsters who helped" to identify the woman, Sgt. Gaskins noted.

The passenger who was not charged with any crime was identified as Nathaniel Lee Kinkade, 17, of Spring Hill, according to the FHP.