Loud Music Leads to California DUI Arrest

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Many drivers who are arrested for <u>driving under the influence</u> in California are actually stopped by the police for a different reason altogether, such as a broken taillight or expired inspection sticker. In the case of Darius Jamal Brown, it was his loud stereo.

Brown, from Union City, was pulled over in his BMW sedan while driving north on Empire Grade, south of Heller Drive in Santa Cruz. Brown was playing his car stereo excessively loud, according to CHP officer Sarah Jackson.

According to the <u>Mercury News</u>, the officer suspected Brown was intoxicated and performed <u>field sobriety tests</u>. During a search of the vehicle, a billy club belonging to Brown was discovered. When the officer attempted to place brown under arrest, he became combative and resisted, Jackson said.

Brown was charged with driving under the influence, resisting arrest and felony possession of a dangerous weapon. He was booked into Santa Cruz County Jail and released on \$5,000 bond.

The lesson here--Don't give police a reason to pull you over, particularly if you have had anything to drink. This may lead to a California DUI arrest.

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