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Grand jury indicts Daniel Bertrand with Ballot Measure 11 offense for downtown assault

Today, Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill announced that 25-year-old Daniel Bertrand was arraigned on a newly filed indictment and subsequently ordered by the court to be held in custody for allegedly assaulting a woman as she walked through Ankeny Alley in downtown Portland.

Bertrand is charged with one count of assault in the second degree. Under Oregon law, this offense is a Class B felony and carries a mandatory minimum sentence of 70 months in prison, pursuant to Ballot Measure 11.

According to the indictment, Bertrand unlawfully and knowingly caused serious physical injury to a woman in Multnomah County.

This investigation started on June 24, 2019, when Portland Police responded to Ankeny Alley, which is located in the 200 block of Southwest Ankeny, on reports of an assault.

While on scene investigating, law enforcement located and took Bertrand into custody. He was then booked into the Multnomah County Detention Center on a single count of assault in the fourth degree based on the available evidence.

The grand jury amended the charge after the Multnomah County District Attorney's Office received additional evidence that was later presented to the grand jury.

Upon the conclusion of the evidence presentation, the grand jury returned an indictment and a warrant was issued for Bertrand's arrest.

On August 2, 2019, at approximately 5:30 a.m., law enforcement located Bertrand in the 7000 block of Northeast Airport Way in Portland, Oregon.

Under Oregon law, "serious physical injury" is defined as a physical injury that creates a substantial risk of death or a physical injury that causes serious and protracted disfigurement, protracted impairment of health or protracted loss or impairment of the function of any bodily organ.

No additional information about this case can be released at this time.

An indictment is only an accusation of a crime. Bertrand is innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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