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Suspect arrested for child neglect

Seminole Co. (June 17, 2018) - Seminole County Sheriff's investigators arrested Casey Dyan Keller, 33, of Sanford, and charged her with child neglect with great bodily harm.

The investigation began today at approximately 11:12 a.m. when deputies responded to the Vista Haven Apartments located in the 200 block of Petunia Terrace in unincorporated Sanford, in reference to a missing 3-year-old child left in a vehicle that was possibly stolen. Upon arrival, deputies located the vehicle in the apartment complex parking lot not running and with all the windows rolled up. Inside the vehicle, deputies discovered the 3-year-old child who was overheated and in and out of consciousness. The child was rushed to a local hospital where she remains in critical but stable condition.

Investigators learned that Keller traveled to a local liquor store late last night with three children. She returned to her home at approximately 11:15 p.m. and took the two older children into the apartment but neglected to remove the 3-year-old child. When Keller realized the child was not in the apartment this morning, she called 9-1-1 to report her missing.

Investigators found no evidence that the vehicle was tampered with or stolen and determined Keller left the child inside overnight. Keller was arrested and booked into the John E. Polk Correctional Facility on a \$15,000 bond.

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