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Metro DUI Squad Makes Arrests During Beer Sting

The Metro D.U.I. Squad conducted an undercover "beer sting" last night at various convenience markets, grocery stores and liquor stores. Officers visited businesses on Poplar, South Highland and other nearby streets.

Violations of the beer and alcohol laws were noted at 10 businesses, 50% of the 20 visited by undercover officers.

Ten people were arrested for selling beer or alcohol to persons under the legal drinking age of 21 or not checking the identification of customers. Those arrested will have to report to the Shelby County Jail Records and Identification Bureau for booking.

The Shelby County Sheriff's Office and the Germantown Police Department comprise the Metro D.U.I. Squad. Last night's sting was part of an on-going effort by the Metro D.U.I. Squad funded by the Governor's Highway Safety Office. The G.H.S.O. pays officers overtime to participate in the beer stings which are designed to help stop the sale of alcohol to minors.

A complete listing of the violations and businesses visited by officers is being sent with this news release in a separate E-mail file.

2009 Statistics:

Beer Stings Conducted: 7

Total Arrests: 66

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