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INVESTIGATION AT NORTON ADULT ENTERTAINMENT BUSINESS ENDS WITH ONE ARREST AND 18 ADMINISTRATIVE VIOLATIONS

(Columbus) – After a joint investigation with Akron and Norton police departments, undercover agents with the Ohio Investigative Unit executed a search warrant Friday at a Norton adult entertainment establishment, resulting in one arrest and 18 administrative violations.

Agents received a complaint of improper entertainment and drug violations at Catanzaro, Inc., also known as Desiree's, 4951 Wooster Road West, in Norton. During the search warrant execution, Jessica Weygandt, 24, of Orrville, was arrested for illegal sexually oriented activity in a sexually oriented business, and for public indecency.

“The health and safety of customers and staff are a big concern in sexually oriented businesses,” said Akron Agent-in-Charge Rita Raimer. “These illegal acts in liquor establishments will not be tolerated.”

Administrative violations were also filed against the liquor permit. Those violations include five counts each for nudity, engaging in sexual activity and public indecency. The establishment was also charged with one count each of unsanitary conditions, drug possession and solicitation for anything of value.

Administrative charges were filed against the liquor permit and will be forwarded to the Liquor Control Commission. Possible administrative penalties could include fines, suspension or revocation of the liquor permit.

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The Ohio Investigative Unit is a division of the Ohio Department of Public Safety. Agents are undercover sworn peace officers who enforce the state's liquor and tobacco laws, as well as food stamp fraud. Individuals who believe food stamp fraud is being committed are encouraged to contact OIU toll-free at 1-877-4MINORS. All complaints will remain anonymous.