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Suspect Jumps from 520 Bridge After Being Placed in Custody

King County: At approximately 0137 hours a WSP Trooper performed a traffic stop on a vehicle traveling EB on SR 520 near the west high rise. At approximately 0152 the suspect was placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI. After being placed in handcuffs the subject resisted arrest, and resisted getting in to the Trooper's patrol car. The suspect then intentionally jumped off the bridge, and in to Lake Washington. The Trooper attempted to grab, and hold, the subject from falling in to the water, but was unsuccessful. Approximately 42 minutes later (at 0236 hours) Seattle Police Department's Harbor Unit retrieved the suspect from Lake Washington. The suspect was transported to Harborview Medical Center where he was confirmed deceased at approximately 0326 hours. The suspect is a 31 year old Kirkland male.

The Washington State Patrol has asked the Seattle Police Department to take over the investigation. This is done to ensure a fair, thorough, and transparent investigation is done in to this incident. Please direct all follow-up questions to SPD's Media Unit.

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