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### **COBB COUNTY MAN FILES FRAUDULENT RIDESHARE INSURANCE CLAIM**

**ATLANTA** – Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner John F. King announced today that Daronte Powell, 26, of Marietta, has been charged with insurance fraud and forgery.

After using the rideshare service “Lyft” as transport to Northlake Mall, Mr. Powell filed a claim with the company, stating that the driver ran over his foot in front of the mall. Mr. Powell’s statement claims he was reaching for his wallet in the back seat when the driver began to drive away.

“Following this incident, documents were submitted to Lyft indicating that Mr. Powell received medical treatment for his injuries,” said Commissioner King. “Our investigators contacted the medical facility listed on the treatment documents and found that Mr. Powell was never a patient there, and the documents were forged.”

Warrants were taken out against Mr. Powell in Cobb County for Insurance Fraud and Forgery 1<sup>st</sup> Degree. He is still wanted at this time.



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