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(S.D.)-Trooper Cleared In Shooting

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PIERRE, S.D. (AP) - Attorney General Marty Jackley says an investigation has cleared a South Dakota Highway Patrol trooper who shot and wounded a Rapid City man following a chase.

The state Division of Criminal Investigation looked into the Sept. 30 shooting of 27-year-old William Chandler. The report released by Jackley says Trooper Mike Bock was justified in firing his gun.

The report says Chandler was handcuffed and in the back of a patrol car when he somehow got one hand out of the restraints, slid into the driver's seat and took off. It says Bock fired through the back window at Chandler when the squad car began moving backward toward him.

Chandler was hit in the right side of his face and neck. He survived and is facing numerous criminal charges.

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