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ABC Investigators, Stanislaus County Sheriff's Deputies Crackdown on Illegal Activity at Bar

Empire – ABC Investigators from the department's Stockton District Office, along with deputies from the Stanislaus County Sheriff's Department arrested a bar co-owner for purchasing purportedly stolen property, a felony violation of California Penal Code section 664/496.

The arrest capped an investigation in the community of Empire, Stanislaus County that involved multiple sales of distilled spirits valued at \$640 the suspect believed was stolen.

The arrest took place at the Primos Night Club, located at 4929 Yosemite Blvd. in Empire. ABC will seek disciplinary action against the business that could include a fine, a suspension or the revocation of the license.

ABC initiated the investigation due to heightened concern about the location in the community. ABC investigators went undercover multiple times to develop information that led to the arrest.

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