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Pharmacy cashier arrested at work for cocaine possession:

CENTRAL FALLS – On November 5, 2015, the Central Falls police department was notified by Rite Aid Pharmacy on Broad Street that a cashier later identified as Pedro Gomes (24) of Pawtucket was observed placing what appeared to be a large quantity of cocaine in an unsecured work locker.

The Central Falls police department K-9 Unit responded and was directed to an employee only area where the suspect kept his sweatshirt from which the contraband was reportedly seen.

The K-9 Unit made a positive indication on the bag and sweatshirt; the articles in question were subsequently seized. Inside the bag were three smaller bags of cocaine, clear baggies for packaging and a scale. The information gathered was corroborated from store surveillance footage and as a result the suspect was taken into custody.

The seized narcotics were field tested positive for cocaine; the unofficial weight of the controlled substance was 67 grams with an approximate street value of over \$5000.

The suspect was arraigned this morning at 6th District Court in Providence on the charge of possession of cocaine with intent to distribute and distributing a controlled substance within 300 yards of a school. He was held without bail pending a further hearing.

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