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On 9/27/09, at approximately 9:26 A.M., uniformed officers observed the offender showing the contents of a black backpack to another male in the 1500 block of S. Capitol Street. As the officers approached in their patrol car, the offender fled on foot and discarded the backpack. The first officer retrieved the backpack and the second officer pursued the offender into an alley. The second officer observed the offender reach into his waistband and retrieved what the officer believed to be a silver handgun. The second officer discharged his firearm, missing the offender. The offender fled from the alley and was apprehended by other officers. No weapon was recovered from the offender or at the scene. The backpack contained stolen laptop computers that were taken from a Verizon truck in the 1600 block of S. 20th Street moments earlier.