DMX Arrested Again

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33-year-old rapper DMX was arrested for allegedly speeding and driving with a suspended license on a Westchester County highway, a week after pleading guilty to plowing through an airport parking gate while on drugs.

DMX whose real name is Earl Simmons, was pulled over on Interstate 684 at about 9:20 p.m. Wednesday. State Trooper Jeffrey Pitkewitz said he clocked Simmons driving 104 mph in a 65 mph zone.

Because his license had been suspended after the airport incident, Simmons was arrested on charges of third-degree aggravated unlicensed operation. State police said he was also charged with speeding and driving an unregistered motor vehicle.

Simmons was released on \$350 bail and was scheduled to appear in North Castle Town Court on Jan. 18.

In the June 24 incident at Kennedy Airport in Queens, Simmons was charged with smashing into a gate after telling a parking lot attendant he was a federal agent. He later admitted to being on Valium at the time.

Simmons was sentenced to a conditional discharge, meaning further violations within a year could land him in jail. He also was fined and ordered to forfeit his 1998 Ford Expedition sport utility vehicle.

The Queens district attorney's office said it was investigating whether Wednesday's incident violated the terms of Simmons" discharge.

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Simmons" lawyer, Murray Richman, said could not comment because he had not talked to the rapper about the incident.

DMX could not be reached for comment.