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Jayshawn Easterling

Teen charged in shooting of girl

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SUMTER, SC (Oct. 2, 2017) – A 15-year-old is undergoing treatment in a Columbia hospital after being shot by a male acquaintance.

Jayshawn Deontay Easterling, 18, of 660 Flamingo Road, was charged earlier today with attempted murder. He is being held in the Sumter-Lee Regional Detention Center pending bond.

An incident report indicates Easterling and two other teens were outside talking on the porch of another Flamingo Road home before 10 p.m. Sunday when the victim came out of the house. As

she began walking down the steps, she felt something hit her back and then saw the suspect running away from the home.

The victim, whose name is being withheld because of her age, was taken to Palmetto Health Tuomey with a gunshot wound and later transferred to Palmetto Health Richland in Columbia where she is in stable condition.

Easterling, who was out on bond on an unrelated charge filed in January, was charged after he and the two witnesses were located and questioned by police.

An investigation is continuing.

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Approved for media release by Chief Russell F. Roark, III

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