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On Saturday, October 24, 2009 at 1:50 p.m. Officers from the Redding Police Department responded to "Clear Impressions" located at 1741 E. Cypress Avenue after reports that a vehicle had crashed into the business. Clear Impressions is a retail business that sells car audio equipment and accessories. Prior to the officers arriving on scene, witnesses reported seeing a white male adult loading property into the vehicle.

The first officer arrived at the call within two minutes and found a maroon Buick sedan completely concealed inside the business. The officer confronted a white male subject who was later identified as Paul Rico Castaneda, 34 years of Cottonwood. Castaneda failed to comply with the officer's verbal commands and a taser was deployed. The taser was ineffective and Castaneda advanced on the officer. The officer protected himself by striking Castaneda with a baton. Ultimately a police canine was utilized to control the suspect and he was taken into custody.

The business owner responded to the scene and estimated the cost of damages to be in excess of \$10,000. Castaneda was treated at Shasta Regional Medical Center and later booked at the Shasta County Jail. He was charged with the commercial burglary, resisting arrest and a parole violation.

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