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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL

OF FLORIDA

THIRD DISTRICT

JANUARY TERM, A.D. 2004

BREON LAVIN BRABOY, \*\*

Appellant, \*\*

vs. \*\* CASE NO. 3D03-2160

THE STATE OF FLORIDA, \*\* LOWER

TRIBUNAL NO. CFK-03-28

Appellee. \*\*

Opinion filed March 24, 2004.

An appeal from the Circuit Court for Monroe County, Richard G. Payne, Judge.

Bennett J. Brummer, Public Defender and Carlos Gonzalez, Assistant Public Defender, for appellant.

Charles J. Crist, Jr., Attorney General and Annette M. Lizardo, Assistant Attorney General, for appellee.

Before COPE, GODERICH, and GREEN, JJ.

PER CURIAM.

In the absence of a showing in the record by the defense that there was a probability that the cocaine seized by the police was tampered with, we find no merit to the appellant's chain of custody challenge. See Creme v. State, 752 So. 2d 1238, 1239 (Fla. 3d DCA 2000); Garcia v. State, 721 So. 2d 1248 (Fla. 3d DCA 1998); Dodd v. State, 537 So. 2d 626, 627 (Fla. 3d DCA 1988). Accordingly, we affirm the appellant's conviction and sentence for possession of cocaine with the intent to sell or distribute.

Affirmed.