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Breaux Bridge Man Arrested for Simple Arson

ST. MARTIN PARISH- The Louisiana Office of State Fire Marshal has arrested a Breaux Bridge man for setting a house on fire.

Brandon Boutte (DOB 5/28/93) was booked into the St. Martin Parish Jail Saturday, June 9, for one count of Simple Arson.

The OSFM was contacted that afternoon to assist the Catahoula Fire Department with determining the origin and cause of a fire at a home in the 1100 block of Bayou Mercier Road in St. Martinville.

Investigators discovered several points of origin throughout the structure along with a large, plastic gas can in a bedroom closet.

That led investigators to classify the fire as incendiary.

Later in the evening, when Boutte was interviewing with St. Martin Parish Sheriff's deputies in relation to one of their cases, he admitted to setting the structure on fire.

Boutte was then placed under arrest. A joint investigation with the St. Martin Parish Sheriff's Office is ongoing.

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