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Fire Marshal Investigation Leads to Arson, Insurance Fraud Arrest

ST. TAMMANY PARISH (June 15, 2026) – The Louisiana Office of State Fire Marshal (SFM) has arrested a Folsom man following an investigation into an intentionally set fire in St. Tammany Parish.

On January 10, 2026, at approximately 9:32 a.m., St. Tammany Fire Department District 5 responded to a house fire in the 79000 block of Booth Road in Folsom. After extinguishing the blaze, the department requested assistance from the Louisiana Office of State Fire Marshal (SFM) to conduct an origin and cause investigation.

Following an examination of the scene and additional investigative work, SFM investigators determined the fire had been intentionally set.

As a result of the investigation, SFM investigators arrested Jason Courtney, 37, of Folsom, on June 9, 2026.

SFM deputies charged Courtney with:

- Arson with Intent to Defraud (La. RS 14:53)
- Insurance Fraud (La. RS 22:1924)

This remains an active investigation, and no further details are being released at this time.

The Louisiana State Fire Marshal's Office reminds the public that anyone with information regarding fire-related crimes is encouraged to submit an anonymous tip by visiting lasfm.org and selecting the "Arson Fires" icon.

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