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Haughton Man Dies in House Fire

BOSSIER PARISH- State Fire Marshal (SFM) deputies continue to investigate the circumstances surrounding a house fire involving one death in Haughton.

Bossier Fire District #2 responded to the call in the 2600 block of Barron Road just before 8 p.m. on Wednesday, December 11.

The body of who is believed to be the elderly male homeowner was later located inside.

Official identification and cause of death are pending an autopsy to be conducted by the Bossier Parish Coroner's Office.

While the cause of this fire remains undetermined at this time, SFM investigators are not ruling out the potential for unsafe smoking practices and/or a wood-burning fireplace as possible contributing factors.

Witness statements indicated the home did have working smoke alarms.

The SFM encourages residents to practice safe home heating by keeping warming devices 3-5 feet away from combustibles and to place no more than three logs in fireplaces to prevent too large of a fire and/or the potential for any logs falling out of the fireplace.

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