

## **August 22, 2012 - Arson Suspect Arrested for Burning His Parent's Home**

*There were no reported injuries*

At 11:20 a.m., Shreveport Fire Department Investigators arrested Victor Adkins Jr., a 21 year old black male, for Simple Arson for allegedly setting fire to his parent's home in the 1900 block of Poland Avenue. Fire Investigators believe the suspect set the fire to conceal the crime of theft.

At 5:47 a.m. this morning, Shreveport firefighters were dispatched to house fire in the 1900 block of Poland Avenue. Engine 4 arrived on scene at 5:51 a.m. and heavy smoke and flames coming from the front of the residence. It took 6 units-18 firefighters-21 minutes to bring the fire under control. There were no reported injuries.

Louisiana Revised Statute 14:52 states "Simple Arson is intentional damaging by any explosive substance or the setting fire to any property of another, without the consent of the owner. Whoever commits the crime of simple arson, where the damage done amounts to five hundred dollars or more, shall be fined not more than fifteen thousand dollars and imprisoned at hard labor for not less than two years nor more than fifteen years."