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HUDGENS: RULING ISSUED ON FATAL DADE COUNTY FIRE

Atlanta - Fire investigator with Insurance and Safety Commissioner Ralph Hudgens' office have ruled the cause of a fatal Saturday afternoon mobile home fire in Dade County accidental.

Killed in the fire was Virginia Webb, 89. The fire was reported around 5:30 p.m., and the mobile home located at 1900 highway 299 Lot 18 in Wildwood, GA., was heavily damaged.

State fire investigators report that there was nothing suspicious about the blaze and the cause appears to be electrical.

The victim's two children Shirley Webb, 55, and Kenneth Webb, 50, escaped the blaze with minor injuries. Neither required transportation to a hospital.

"My investigator found no signs of a working smoke alarm inside the home," Hudgens said. The fatality is the state's 86th fire-related death in 2017.