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## **OXENDINE ANNOUNCES REWARDS IN HALL COUNTY ARSON CASE**

**Atlanta** - Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner John W. Oxendine and Bud Ausborn of the Georgia Arson Control Board, Inc., today announced the presentation of two reward checks totaling \$4,500 to citizens of Hall County who provided information in a house fire that led to the conviction of an arsonist.

Two checks in the amount of \$1,500 and \$3,000 were presented to Hall County Fire Marshal Scott Cagle, in a brief ceremony at the Hall County Fire Department. Cagle will forward the rewards to the recipients, who have chosen to remain anonymous, Commissioner Oxendine said.

The rewards were given for information that led to the arrest and conviction of a suspect for a December 2006 house fire on Broom Road in East Hall County.

Commissioner Oxendine and the Georgia Arson Control Board, Inc., sponsor the Georgia Arson Control Reward Program and the Georgia Arson Hotline. Rewards of up to \$10,000 are given for information leading to the arrest and conviction of an arsonist. Anyone with information about a suspicious fire is asked to call the hotline at **1-800-282-5804**. Calls are taken 24 hours a day; callers can choose to remain anonymous.

Since its inception in 1979, GAC has approved 520 rewards totaling \$1,485,350.

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