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HUDGENS: STEPHENS COUNTY WOMAN CHARGED WITH ARSON

ATLANTA, GA -- Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner Ralph Hudgens announced today that a Stephens County woman is facing arson charges for allegedly setting fire to a house over the weekend.

Amber Chambers, 36, has been arrested and charged with First Degree Arson and Criminal Trespass for a Sunday, March 4 fire that heavily damaged her neighbor's home located at 277 Country Club Drive in Toccoa, Ga. Chambers, who resides at 90 Meadowlark Lane is currently being held in the Stephens County Jail, Hudgens said.

An investigator in Commissioner Hudgens' Fire Unit determined that the 1:30 p.m. fire originated on the back porch of the residence and then burned into the structure between floor levels. The loss is estimated at more than \$100,000.

The Big Smith Fire Department and the Stephenson County Sheriff's Office also worked the case.