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Man arrested shortly after suspicious Ladson fire

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NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C. – Detectives from the Charleston County Sheriff's Office on Thursday arrested a man on a charge of setting fire to a mobile home in the Ladson area.

Deputies responded after 4 p.m. to a structure fire in Sweetgrass Estates at 9919 Highway 78. Firefighters extinguished the blaze, but the home was heavily damaged. No one was hurt.

The circumstances of the fire were suspicious.

Deputies had been called to the home earlier in the evening when the homeowner expressed intent to evict the tenant, Robert William Barrs. The deputies advised the homeowner about the civil eviction process before clearing the scene.

In their response to the fire less than an hour later, deputies noticed Barrs walking on Highway 78 and detained him. They found evidence indicating he had been at the home when it was set on fire.

Barrs, 33, was arrested and booked Thursday night at the Al Cannon Detention Center on a charge of second-degree arson.

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