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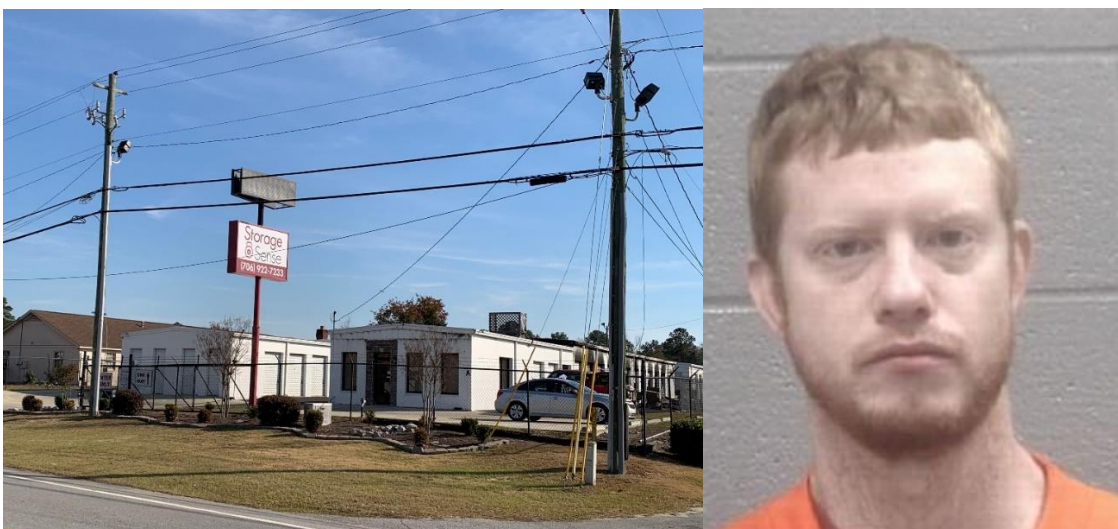
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SUSPECT ARRESTED IN COLUMBIA COUNTY MULTI-UNIT STORAGE FACILITY FIRE

ATLANTA – Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner John F. King announced today that John Ransom Terzia, 34, has been arrested and charged with Arson, Aggravated Assault, and Illegal Dumping. State and local investigators suspect that there are more charges to come after this fire at 4308 Belair Frontage Road in Augusta.

“Our investigators responded to a multi-unit storage facility fire in Columbia County on Thursday, December 10,” said Commissioner King. “After reviewing camera footage, we believed Mr. Terzia was a suspect in this case, and he was apprehended after interviews with witnesses. He is being held at Columbia County jail.”

A couple of the units at this facility were under commercial use at the time of the fire. Overall, 28 different units received fire, smoke, and water damage. Commissioner King’s State Fire Investigations Unit is continuing to investigate alongside Columbia County public safety officials.



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