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## Man Arrested for Multiple Arson Fires

New Braunfels, TX – Investigators from the New Braunfels Fire Marshal's Office have arrested a New Braunfels man suspected of committing multiple arsons at his home at 211 W. Merriweather St., Apt. A in New Braunfels, TX. Jeremiah Farrell, 21, was arrested without incident at on October 15, 2014. Farrell was transported to the Comal County Sheriff's Department and charged with two counts of first degree felony arson. Each first degree felony count of arson is punishable by five to 99 years in prison and a fine not to exceed \$10,000.

The first fire occurred at 11:17 p.m. on October 12<sup>th</sup> and was set at the back door of the apartment. The second fire occurred at 3:39 a.m. on October 13<sup>th</sup> and involved a couch located on the front porch next to the front door of the apartment. Both fires were extinguished by Farrell and other occupants prior to the arrival of the fire department.

Farrell is also suspected of setting eight other fires that have occurred in and around New Braunfels since December 2012 and additional charges are likely.