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SEN MARIONNEAUX DELIVERS \$10,000 TO THE MARINGOUIN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Maringouin, LA- During a visit to Iberville Parish on Thursday, Sen. Rob Marionneaux (D-Livonia) hand delivered \$10,000 to Maringouin Fire Chief Michael Gaudet. These funds were appropriated during the 2007 legislative session from House Bill 1, the general operating budget for the State of Louisiana

Chief Michael Gaudet said, "I appreciate Sen. Marionneaux always listening and helping out the department whenever he can. He has constantly been a friend to the department and the community."

With the help of Rep. St.Germain, each year Senator Marionneaux has been able to secure funding for Iberville Parish. This year the legislative delegation was able to secure from HB 1, more than \$207,000 to be used for fire protection, after-school programs, and other much needed projects. The Maringouin Volunteer Fire Department received a \$10,000 appropriation for the upcoming fiscal year. The money can be used at their discretion for the needs of the fire department for such things as training and/or equipment.

"Fire protection affects each and every homeowner. Our homeowners' insurance premiums are in part based on fire ratings within that department. The efforts of these volunteers should not be overlooked. Their tireless work and dedication is an asset to each and every person and every community," said Marionneaux.

For more information please refer to the legislative web site at: www.legis.state.la.us or contact Senator Marionneaux at 225-637-3623.