MOBILE - U.S. Rep. Jo Bonner, R-Alabama, today announced the award of funding to the City of Bayou La Batre Volunteer Fire Department from the United States Department of Homeland Security and the United States Fire Administration. The grant, totaling $63,407.00, is being made available through the USFA's Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program and will be used for the purpose of fire operations and firefighter safety.

"I am extremely pleased the Department of Homeland Security has approved this funding for the Bayou La Batre Fire Department," Bonner said. "Bayou La Batre and its residents are to be commended for their strong efforts in working to provide an effective fire department and, through that process, allowing for a greater degree of safety and fire prevention for their community."